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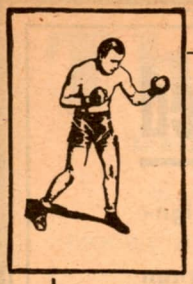

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The stage is being set for the second meeting of Joe Louis and Billy Conn, at Yankee Stadium, New York, on June 19.

In this issue of THE RING Magazine is the first of a series of articles by Daniel M. Daniel on the progress of Louis.

This first story tells how Joe took the championship from Jimmy Braddock.

Next month, Daniel will describe Louis's one and only defeat, his knockout by Max Schmeling—and Joe's quickest and perhaps most important triumph, his one-round victory over the German former champion.

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How Much Has Long Layoff Hurt Joe Louis?

By Same Token, How Far May Conn Have Gone Back Since His First Battle With Heavyweight King?

(The first of a series on the Louis-Conn battle)

By NAT FLEISCHER

THE stage is set. Joe Louis, heavyweight champion of the world, will defend the title against Billy Conn of Pittsburgh on the night of Wednesday, June 19, in Yankee Stadium, New York. The ball park will seat 100,000 for the fight, and by that time will be equipped with the most remarkable lighting system in the world.

All this is in line with predictions in THE RING Magazine of several months ago. When reports insisted that Mike Jacobs was taking his attraction to Philadelphia, when California jumped into the picture with incredible offers, this magazine assured its readers that June would find Conn making his second bid for the title in the New York ball park.

As a New York promoter, there was nothing Mike could do but set the fight for New York.

Of course, there were other impelling factors. New York offered the best return. It offered easy transportation, the greatest city in the world, with ability to swallow up vast crowds, furnish them with hotel rooms, eating facilities, entertainment, and an up to date park easily reached by express subway.

A high scale of prices, and returns from radio and television will make this the most opulent fight in ring history. The money involved for Mike may run close to $3,500,000.

With the battle site and the date picked, attention now will be concentrated on Louis and Conn.

How are they likely to look after their long layoffs?

This question has received considerable journalistic treatment, already. My prediction is that despite the long layoff and the condition of the rivals at this writing, the battle will be a great one, with plenty of action and plenty of thrills. Even if the fight public figured that neither boxer could give his best and repeat the contest they staged in their first engagement, it still will flock to the Yankee Stadium in droves to see this "Battle of the Century." It is the one bout everyone has been discussing for three years and the discussions, pro and con, will increase in intensity as the date of the June battle approaches.

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PROMINENT among the gloom-prophets is the erudite Gene Tunney, ex-heavyweight monarch, who permitted himself to be quoted recently as saying with cheerfully brutal frankness that the Louis-Conn affair would be the worst heavyweight championship contest since Johnson beat Jeffries at Reno. Tunney based his belief on the impossibility of the men putting up a good scrap after being out of active competition for over four years. I daresay it will be far from the worst.

Jack Dempsey doesn't take quite as dark a view of the situation as does his conqueror who annexed Jack's world title. Dempsey says that it was going to be a tough fight for Louis, judging by his own experience in trying to whip Tunney after he had been a long time away from the actual combat scene but predicts it will be a good scrap.

The Manassa Mauler opines that so far as the effects of their respective layoffs are concerned, it is pretty much an even-break proposition, each having done about the same amount of boxing and loafing. But Dempsey concedes that getting into shape might be a bit more difficult for the champion than for his adversary.

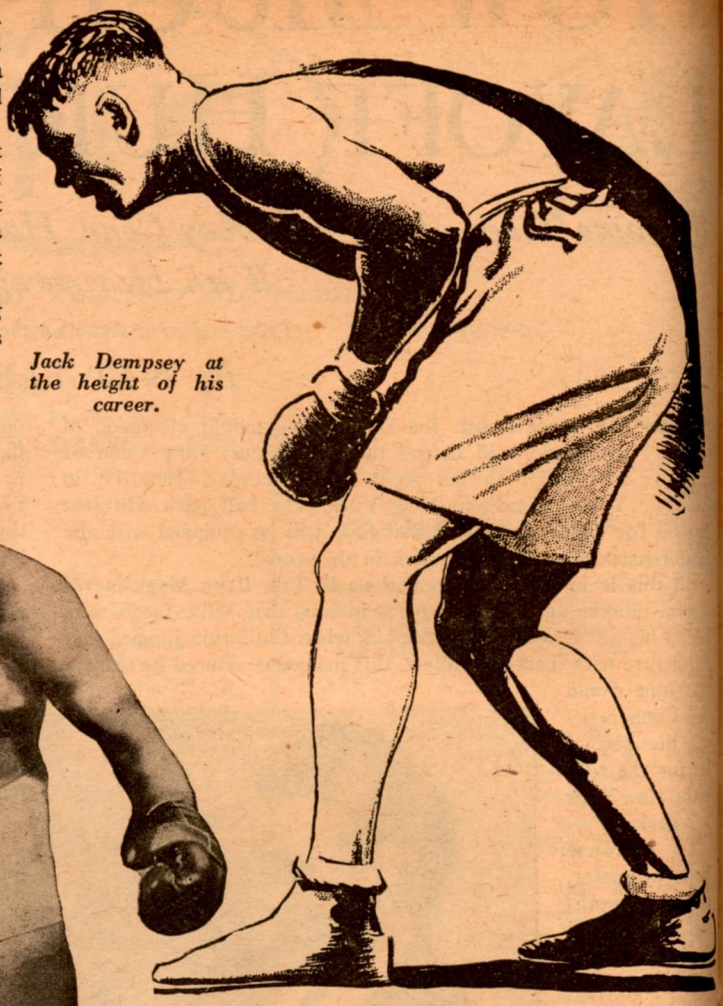
Of course all this preliminary "viewing with alarm" means nothing so far as the box office appeal of the battle goes. It's enough for the fight patrons to remember the spectacular

Billy Conn (left), compares fists with Joe Louis whom he will fight in a return engagement at the Yankee Stadium on June 19. The champ and his challenger recently met in Pittsburgh where the above photo was taken.

showing made by Billy Conn against Louis on June 18, 1941. There was no disputing the fact that Conn boxed brilliantly and clearly outpointed Joe up to the fateful thirteenth round, when Billy made the mistake of entering into a slugging seance instead of playing safe and was consequently knocked out.

Some of the best friends of Louis admitted that the title might have changed hands had the bout lasted the scheduled limit of fifteen rounds. But Joe won, and what might have been doesn't count for too much. Yet, it is no wonder that there was always a public demand to see Conn tackle the champion again, and that demand is more intense than ever.

No matter who wins or loses, there'll be a record-breaking crowd on hand to witness the second encounter, and whatever is written or said about the condition of the principals now, only serves to advertise the bout. No amount of adverse criticism can hurt it.



Jack Dempsey at the height of his career.

In such cases the tradition that "a knock is as good as a boost," carries considerable weight. Sam Harris, manager of Terry McGovern, and successful alike as a fistic showman and theatrical magnate, was wont to quote that maxim frequently and add a rider to the effect that his sole anxiety was lest the newspapers would ignore his operations.

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THERE was a story published in a New York paper dealing with the mediocrity of Conn's boxing during a recent exhibition tour. It was pointed out that while exchanging buffets at Cleveland with his sparring partner, Conn missed a swing, overbalanced and slipped to one knee. The writer took an exceedingly morbid view of this distressing incident which he appeared to think should fill Jacobs with dismal forebodings.

Max Baer with whom training was a bore.

The fighter never lived who didn't miss a punch and slip to the floor in gym practice or battle at some stage in his career, without suffering damage to his person or reputation and Conn could hardly hope to be an exception to the rule. But Conn being matched with Louis, this trivial happening was at once put on the press wires and telegraphed all over this land of the free, and many newspapers dilated on the untoward incident as possessing peculiar interest in connection with the coming fray, as freely as did their New York contemporary.

The same thing happened to Louis a year ago when the champion was boxing here for soldiers at a training camp. Louis got his feet crossed while sparring with George Nichols, and fell. The next day the Manhattan sport pages carried stories that Nichols had knocked down the champ, and drew conclusions that Louis must be "going back"!

Both Louis and Nichols denied that there had been any knockdown and the champion merely laughed at the journalistic tempest-in-a-teapot. But the story was none the less widely circulated.

WHETHER Louis or Conn have grown rusty during enforced absence from the regular fistic arena, only time can tell. But one thing is certain. Neither man will suffer from lack of attention to the job of getting into shape. Louis, as heavyweight champion, and Conn, as king of the light-heavyweight division, always showed up in topnotch milling form, trained to a hair and ready to go a distance at full speed. The men behind the guns in this training, Johnny Ray and Mannie Seaman, will see to that.

Which wasn't always the case in past championship performances. Yet it is doubtful if the guessing fight fans were ever much influenced by published hints that a star scrapper was not in prime condition, although there were times when such rumors were not without foundation. Take a look back over the Queensberry heavyweight records and the fact stands out in bold relief that it is next to impossible to shake the confidence of ring patrons in a man they have worshipped as a fistic idol.

There was John L. Sullivan, ten years pre-eminent in the heavyweight class. Sullivan had gone the pace over the convivial trail with reckless disregard of future consequences long before he met his Waterloo in 1892 at the expert hands of James J. Corbett. His extraordinary strength, hitting powers and wonderful endurance were such that it seemed as though he could go on forever batting opponents silly, despite his cheerful neglect of the rules of discreet living and constant indulgence in the pleasing stimulation of "wine, women and song."

It was a shock to his admirers when Charley Mitchell, the English champion, held him to a 39-round draw with bare knuckles at Chantilly, France, on March 10, 1888. For the Sullivanites to a man believed that there wasn't a fighter in the

John L. Sullivan as he looked the year when he was shorn of his crown by James J. Corbett.

world who could stand before him without meeting defeat. But they didn't lose faith in "John L." They accepted the excuse, which was true enough, that his failure to kayo Mitchell was due to the Boston slugger's poor condition.

That Sullivan himself was to blame for this didn't lessen his popularity with his following. He was "The only 'John L.,'" and therefore to be tolerated, whatever mistakes he might make. The gods are beyond criticism!

But being only human, after all, 'John L.' had to pay toll to outraged nature. He finally collapsed at the close of an extended debauch, took to his bed, and was as sick a chap as his worst enemy could have wished to see from August to November of the same year when he fought Mitchell. His magnificent constitution pulled him through, but he was still in mediocre shape when he posted $5000 to fight his constant challenger, Jake Kilrain.

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HOW William Muldoon took 'John L.' in hand, compelled him to train properly by virtue of an iron will stronger than even that of the ever aggressive Sullivan, built him up to physical perfection and sent him to scratch against Kilrain, is an oft told story, not necessary to repeat here. Kilrain was soundly whipped in 75 rounds under London Prize Ring Rules at Richburg, Miss., on July 8, 1889.

Sullivan did not fight again until he lost the heavyweight title to Jim Corbett at New Orleans on September 7, 1892, in the 21st round. During the interval, the ex-champion had sported around in his usual careless fashion, Sullivan's bar-room escapades and impromptu scraps were familiar news items in the daily press. He was hog-fat when he entered the Crescent City ring, scaling 212 pounds as against the agile Corbett's 178. No modern boxing commission would have passed a fighter with such an overlapping stomach as fit to do battle.

Now, though the public in general was so sold on Sullivan as to consider him invincible, there were not wanting newspaper critics who ventured to suggest that Sullivan would not find Corbett easy to handle. Of course, the majority favored the champion, but one cannot help thinking that many of the latter must have preferred to drift with the public opinion—though some of them MUST have known better.

Be that as it may, Sullivan entered the ring a 1 to 5 favorite. The words of warning dropped by the few pressmen who dared to tip Corbett as a possible winner, had no effect whatever on the betting. In the light of after events it may seem incredible, but there was probably not more than one person in a hundred who witnessed the fateful Battle of New Orleans who doubted Sullivan's ability to eliminate Gentleman Jim in jig-time.

JACK WESTON, a wealthy Western ranchman, was sitting beside his friend Bat Masterson, and had already bet $10,000 on Sullivan. Weston, a red hot Sullivan adherent, put up another five grand, despite Masterson's effort to stop him. Bat was not under any illusion as to Sullivan's condition and belonged to the minority that expected Corbett to capture the title.

"A fool and his money are soon parted!" said Masterson to Weston.

"What you talking about?" retorted Weston heatedly. "I'd back the Big Fellow for every cent I'm worth. What the hell? Ain't he 'John L.'?"

"Why, sure," rejoined Bat. "He's 'John L.,' all right. But for how much longer?"

Not for very long, as it happened. Many were the mourners who suffered depleted bank rolls when the fatal "Ten" was counted over the inert, prostrate form of the once mighty Bostonian! Many have not gotten over the shock to this day.

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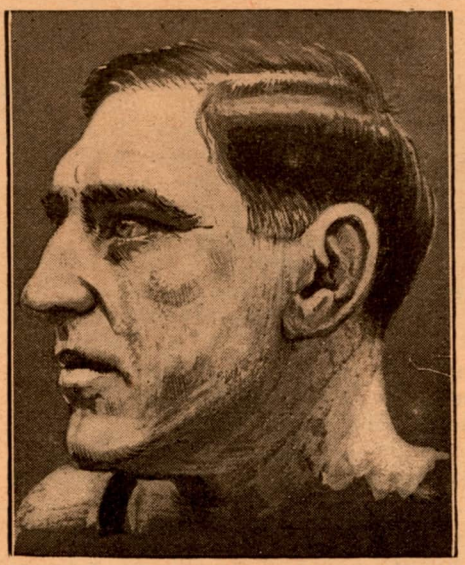

Jess Willard who failed to condition himself for his test with Dempsey and was battered beyond recognition.

IN Corbett's most important fight prior to his victory over Sullivan—the battle with Australia's champion, Peter Jackson, on May 21, 1891, which resulted in an even break of 61 rounds, Peter was badly handicapped by an injury to his left leg, received in a runaway horse accident a couple of weeks before the contest. Peter's manager, Charles E. (Parson) Davies, wanted to call the match off. But Jackson insisted on fighting, asserting his ability to whip Corbett, even if he had to perform on one leg.

This was a decided mistake on the Australian's part, but considering his handicap, he made an excellent showing by which his high reputation did not suffer. Canny Mr. Davies, however, did not underrate Corbett and under the circumstances, decided to hedge his bets. Not that it would have made any difference to him financially, as the referee's decision cancelled all wagers automatically.

But Davies tipped off some of his friends not to bet on Peter, and these in turn passed the tip on to pals. Yet, though this knowledge got around, the betting on Jackson was heavier than that on Corbett, despite the fact that Jim was a Native Son and very popular. Since landing in San Francisco in 1888 Jackson had fattened his record in this country and England by scoring seventeen victories, mostly short knockouts, against the most formidable men in the heavyweight division and had in vain tried to coax the main boss slugger, Sullivan, into the ring. Consequently the California sports did not allow local pride to influence them to the extent of giving Corbett the heaviest play in the gambling.

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JIM JEFFRIES won the world's heavyweight title by kayoing Bob Fitzsimmons in eleven rounds at Coney Island, on June 9, 1899. Fitz was a heavy betting favorite on that occasion. On form dope this was natural, as the youth from the Coast, despite his bulk and strength, did not rate comparison with the all-conquering Fitz.

Bob was used to toppling over big chaps like Jeff in build and entertained no doubts as to his ability to stop him in short order.

Holding Jeffries cheap, he not only trained carelessly, but on the night preceding the battle acted as host to a select number of friends to whom he gave a dinner and drank wine freely in response to the many toasts predicting a quick victory for him. Present at the gathering was George Siler, boxing editor of the *Chicago Tribune,* who had come on to cover the contest for that paper.

Siler had seen Jeff fight on the Coast, knew how tough he was, and despite the fact that the Western youth failed to stop Bob Armstrong in ten rounds in his initial New York appearance, George tabbed Jeffries as an extra-dangerous proposition for anyone to tackle. The Chicagoan didn't bet on either man. But he advised some acquaintances to be chary of going too strong on the Fitzsimmons end, and a rumor got around that Fitz was not in the shape he ought to be.

Siler afterwards said that none of the parties he gave warning to paid any attention to his advice, but went ahead and plunged on Fitzsimmons just the same. Just another instance of how hard it is to convert idol-worshippers to a rational way of thinking!

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EVERYONE now knows Jeffries was altogether unfit to put up a decent fight against Jack Johnson at Reno, Nevada, on July 4, 1910, and that Jeff's knockout in 15 rounds wound up one of the most outrageous hippodromes ever put over on an unsuspecting public. The manipulators of the affair had arranged to have Johnson lie down. The latter agreed, simply because he could not have had the match on any other terms.

But the Negro boxer calmly went out to win and did so easily, thereby upsetting the plot. Jeffries, afterwards to be described as a "hollow shell", by several prominent critics, looked well enough on the outside, the fat having been rubbed off him by a couple of massage artists brought on from San Francisco. Yet these same writers, prior to the wretched contest, had joined in the universal chorus which predicted a Johnson defeat.

Jeff did no serious training worth speaking of, his boxing was a joke, with the ex-amateur champion, Sam Berger, and veteran Bob Armstrong for sparring partners, yet to read the stories sent all over the country to leading newspapers by a host of correspondents, it appeared that the "hope of the white race" was fit to fight for his life, was in the pink of condition and certain to win.

The sole dissenting voice was that of Tad Dorgan of the New York *Journal.* From the first he refused to get on the band wagon with the rest of his newspaper colleagues and join in extolling Jeffries. He had made up his mind that Jeff was not in fighting form, and that Johnson, trained to perfection, would have no trouble in whipping the worn-out white gladiator, and so stated plainly in his dispatches to New York.

No New York sport authority was more respected than Tad, but nevertheless his stoutly expressed views didn't create much of a sensation at the time. Later, he was given full credit as the only fistic prophet who called the turn, but by then the damage had been done and thousands of disgusted American sports were asking why so many renowned sport writers had handed their readers a bum steer?

The explanation was that the slug experts did not know the real state of affairs and were carried away by wishful thinking. Wanting Johnson licked, they figured Jeffries must inevitably be re-crowned, sent columns of sheer rot over the press wires to that effect, and wound up pathetically behind the eight-ball!

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JESS WILLARD'S grand condition enabled him to beat Jack Johnson at Havana in twenty-six rounds on April 5, 1915. The great Negro boxer had seen his best days and although he did not slip up in his training, was far from being the formidable performer he once was. There was no truth in a rumor later circulated that Johnson took a flop in that engagement. The loser fought on as long as his exhausted vitality allowed him.

As a fighter, Johnson in his prime was infinitely superior to Willard in every way, comparison between the two is almost absurd. But Jess at Havana was a splendid example of superfine physical condition and reaped the reward of his hard work in training quarters by outlasting his opponent.

It was the last time Willard was really in tip-top fighting shape. He hated training and did very little of it after he became champion. Jess was way overweight when he boxed a ten-round, no-decision bout with Frank Moran in old Madison Square Garden nearly a year after defeating Johnson.

When Jack Dempsey knocked him loose from the title in three rounds at Toledo on July 4, 1919, Jess carried a lot of adipose tissue that clogged his movements and slowed him down considerably. Now that fight was well publicized and Willard's training stunts were given plenty of space by New York's sport writers who presumably knew their business.

But none sounded a warning note that Willard wasn't precisely the trained athlete he ought to be. Maybe it wouldn't have made any difference if they had done so, the glamor surrounding a heavyweight champ has a bewitching effect on the public when it comes to picking a winner. So Jess went to his doom a heavy gambling favorite, and Manassa Jack reigned in his stead.

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NO fault could be found with Dempsey as an honest worker in training. That he had lost some of the spring that once distinguished his nimble legs, as well as something of his oldtime speed, when Gene Tunney twice beat him, was not due to lack of effort in the training quarters. His weakness was caused by a long spell of soft living and absence from the ring.

Hadn't any of the boxing experts who watched him exercise in preparation for the initial battle with Tunney any inkling of the fact that he had gone back? It would seem not, for Gene was unanimously tipped as a sure loser by the New York press in that Philadelphia ten-rounder which made the betting under dog the heavyweight monarch of the world.

It is worth mentioning, however, that there were some wise guys who figured Tunney as a possible victor. One of these was Harry Greb, who beat Tunney in 1922 for the American light-heavyweight title, a verdict reversed by Gene the year following.

A week prior to the battle Greb told the writer to bet on Tunney. This sounded crazy to the listener, who shared the universal opinion that the Manassa Mauler would stop Gene.

"Well," said Greb, "you may set me down as looney, and perhaps you'll be sure of it when I tell you I've put two grand on Tunney to win. I know what Tunney can do, through personal experience. And I've got a line on Dempsey. The other afternoon I boxed four rounds with Jack by his own request. I had no trouble hitting him, for he hasn't got the speed-stuff now that made him so dangerous. He can't break through Tunney's guard. Gene can land on him, and Tunney is a far harder puncher than people give him credit for."

As it turned out, Greb had the right idea. Dempsey was, of course, the gambling choice and Harry got good value for the dough he invested on Tunney's chances.

It was different in the Battle of the Long Count at Chicago in 1927 when Dempsey made a gallant but vain attempt to win back the title. For Tunney was champion then and, as is customary, betting odds favored the king of the scrapping roost.

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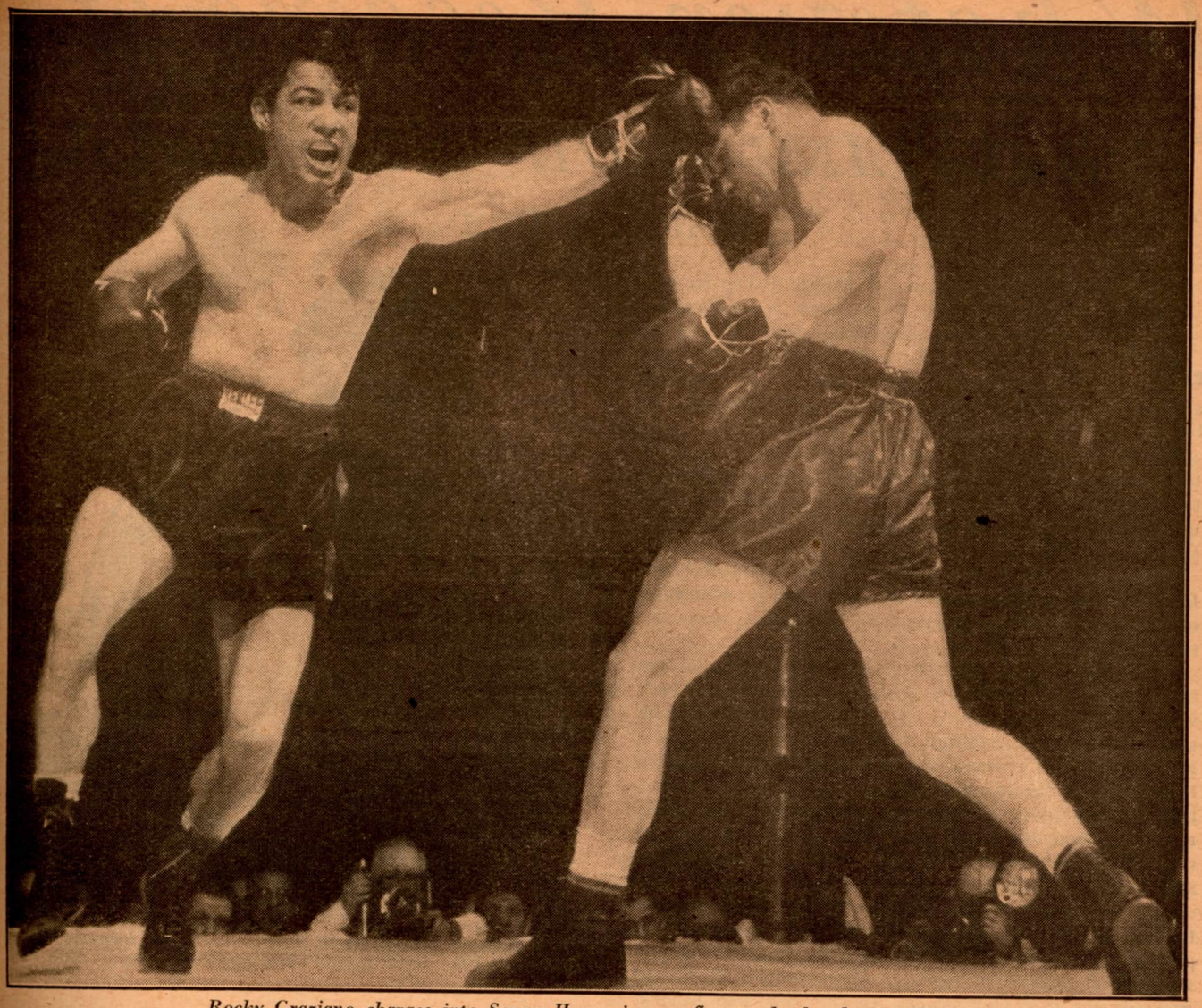
MAX BAER kayoed Primo Carnera at Madison Square Garden on June 14, 1934, in eleven rounds, thereby depriving the giant Italian of the heavyweight title the latter took from Jack Sharkey the preceding year. Baer had been winning very consistently for several years, beating most of the topliners, including Max Schmeling. He was conceded at least a fifty-fifty chance of whipping Primo by the experts.

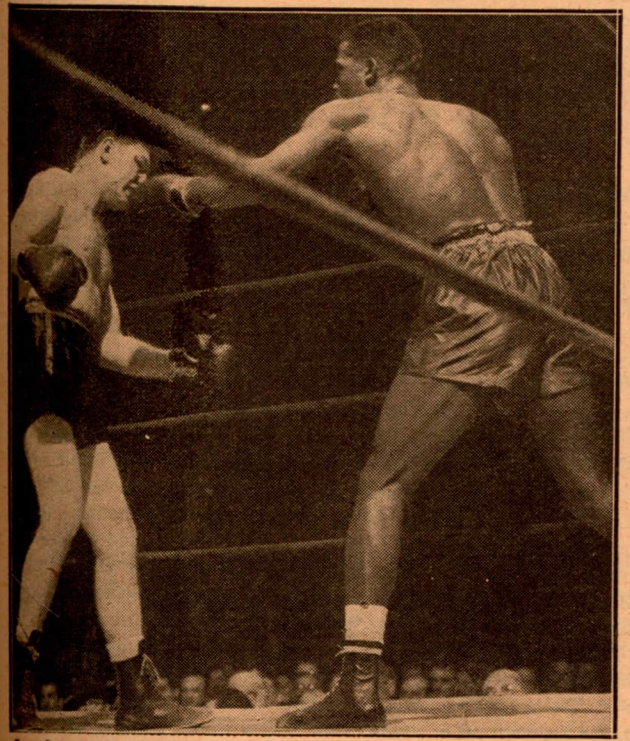
But a little while before the date set for the affair, Boxing Commissioner Bill Brown paid a visit to Baer's training quarters. Now the late Mr. Brown knew all there was to know about training scrappers, and in his judgment Max showed up very poorly in his gym work.

So poorly indeed that Brown told *(Continued on page 35)*

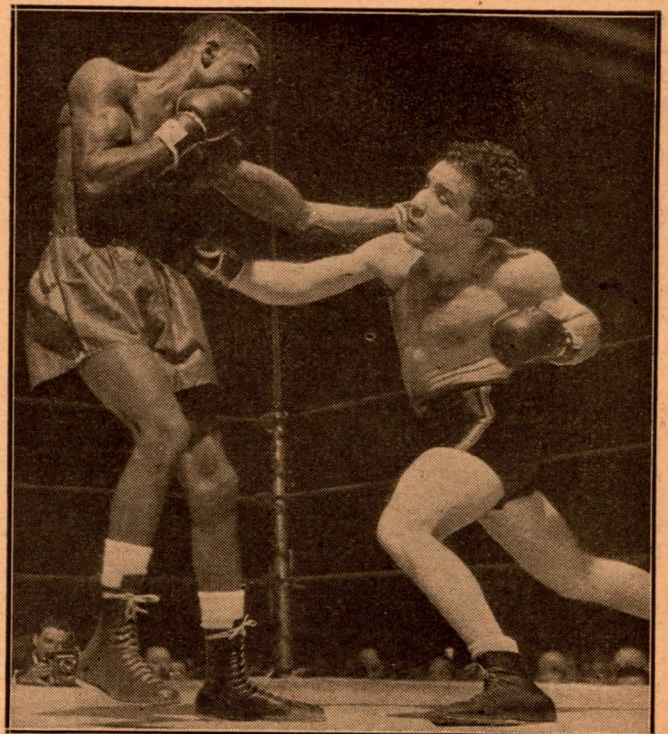
HEADLINERS IN GARDEN SHOWS



Rocky Graziano charges into Sonny Horne in an effort to land a kayo wallop.



Lee Savold finds his master in a newcomer, Al Hoosman, who gave a clever exhibition for a heavyweight.



Jake LaMotta, lands a hard right to Tommy Bell's midsection in furious bout which Jake won.

Whatever Became of—

"PARALYZING PAUL" BERLENBACH

By IRVING RUDD

HE earned more than $300,000 in the ring. He was ranked with Bob Fitzsimmons as one of the greatest body-punching light-heavyweights of all time. He won an Olympic wrestling title in 1920. Sixteen months from the time he first fought as a professional, Paul Berlenbach defeated Mike McTigue to become light-heavyweight champion of the world.

One of the most colorful, honest boxers who ever entered the roped square, likeable Paul Berlenbach lives in obscurity today, aching for a chance to reenter a game he never really understood, sometimes despised, but in the final analysis a sport for which he possesses an undying love—boxing.

Boxing was in the doldrums in 1923 when Berlenbach began fighting as a pro. Pugilism had hit such a low ebb that gates of $12,000 or $13,000 in Madison Square Garden were considered fair takes.

"Oom Paul," as the fistic scribes affectionately called the tawny, terrific-hitting Astoria Assassin, brought boxing back with a bang. As a youngster of four, he was stricken with scarlet fever, which left him deaf and dumb. Perhaps his later shyness and reticence can be explained by this. When he was 13 years old, he was as active as any kid in his neighborhood, and one day he shinnied up a telephone pole. He touched a live wire and was hurled to the ground. Upon landing he cried out in pain; the first sound young Paul had uttered since his earlier affliction.

Later Berlenbach became enthused with wrestling. He went to the gyms, tangled with some of the best simon-pures and pros and as a light-heavyweight wrestler, grappled his way to a national amateur championship. He represented the United States in the 1920 Olympics at Antwerp and won handily, qualifying by throwing one opponent on the first day and pinning three men's shoulders down the following day. A rosy future as a pro wrestler loomed, but when Paul who was to get $25 for his first start, was told to lay down, he rebelled and quit the grappling game in disgust.

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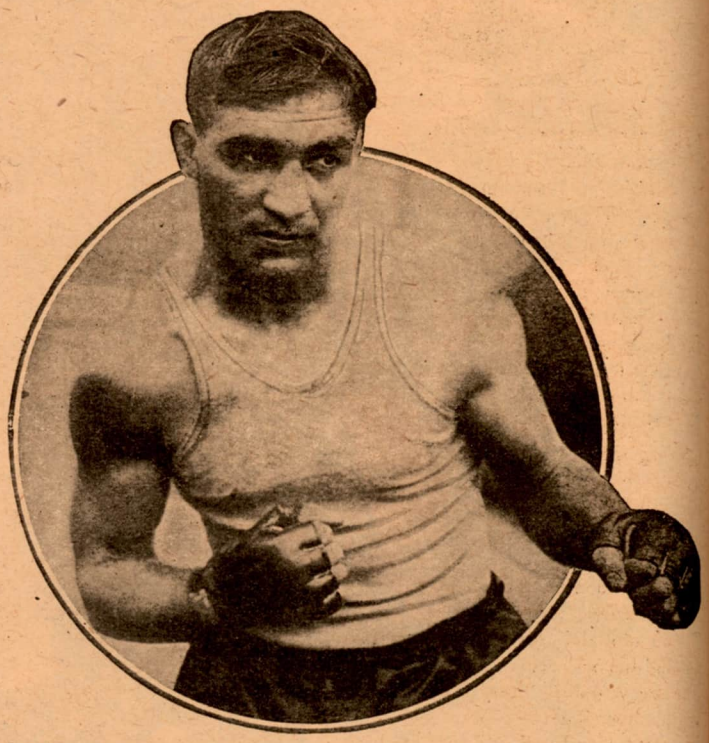
BERLENBACH was a member of the New York Athletic Club, for which organization Dan Hickey was an instructor. Hickey had trained the immortal Ruby Robert Fitzsimmons and before long Paul was pestering Hickey to teach him boxing and make a prizefighter of him. Hickey was not easily persuaded, having quit the fight game and concentrated solely upon his job at the N.Y.A.C.

Finally after much persuasion, he took the raw novice under his wing. Dan toiled long and diligently with the young ex-wrestler. Long hours were spent on footwork, stance, conditioning and all the other important factors that go to make a good boxer. Before long, Hickey realized he had another great body belter on his hands. Shades of Bob Fitzsimmons!

"A man can bob and weave and duck with his head," Hickey impressed upon his charge, "but he can't slip and slide with his body. It's a stationary and vulnerable target. Concentrate on it!"

And how Berlenbach did concentrate! Before long the boxing writers had tagged nicknames like the "Astoria Assassin," "Punch 'em Paul," "Paralyzin' Paul," and other cognomens upon him.

Paul's punching prowess was so great that the Boxing Commission unfairly forced him into a match with Jack Delaney for his 13th pro fight. They ruled that he had too great an advantage over opponents with the same experience as he, because he packed too much of a wallop! Delaney knocked out Berlenbach in four rounds, but Paul came back a year and a half later to whip



Paul Berlenbach, former world light-heavyweight champion, now in the employ of the Jacob Ruppert Brewery in the export department.

Delaney in defense of the light-heavyweight championship which he previously had won from Mike McTigue. The Delaney-Berlenbach fracas opened up the new Madison Square Garden for boxing on December 11, 1925. A rubber match with Delaney, the last fight of one of the best-remembered feuds in ring history, drew $461,767 at Ebbetts' Field.

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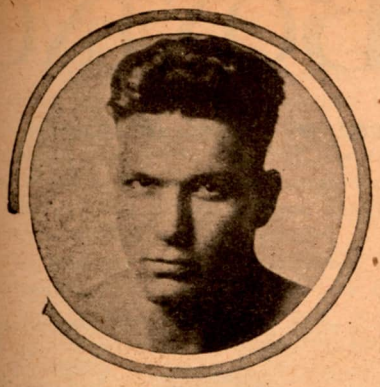
DURING his sensational rise up to 1926, only Young Stribling, Augie Ratner, Mike McTigue and one or two others managed to stay the distance with him. Berlenbach put the snore on such sterling scrappers as Battling Siki, Jimmy Slattery and King Solomon.

Although a light-heavyweight, Berlenbach was also considered excellent challenger material for Jack Dempsey's heavyweight title. It is said that Dempsey, when he learned that Gene Tunney was selected by Tex Rickard to be his opponent in 1926, protested vociferously and almost refused to sign a contract. The Manassa Mauler demanded that Berlenbach be signed instead, because Jack felt that the then 175-pound king would make a better fight and draw a bigger crowd. While Jack was wrong both as to the quality of a fight between himself and Tunney and also muffed his prediction regarding the gate receipts, it is easily understandable why Dempsey insisted on a magnetic, colorful clouter like Berlenbach for a foe in a title defense.

Dempsey was not alone in his vehement insistence. The press in many quarters backed Jack. One scribe ventured to demand that Tunney show his mettle first in a scrap with Berlenbach, and even went on to predict that "Oom Paul" would stop the fast-stepping ex-Leatherneck if he tagged him with some of those hefty body blows.



Jack Delaney, who with Berlenbach headlined the opening boxing show in Madison Square Garden and failed to wrest the laurels from Oom Paul.

BERLENBACH was on top of the boxing world for quite some time. Idolized, cheered, in great demand everywhere, he glowed, as have many others before and after him, in the spotlight of fame and acclaim. Then came the usual rapid descent of one of the great ring favorites of the day.

Berlenbach lost a ten rounder, a tough go, to Johnny Risko. He had several rifts with his manager Dan Hickey. On February 7, 1927, shortly after receiving a severe shellacking from Mike McTigue, Paul quit the ring. Disillusioned and embittered, he castigated both the game and the public. In a syndicated newspaper interview with THE RING Editor, Nat Fleischer, on April 2, 1927, he said:

"You think it ungrateful of me to condemn the sport which has made a wealthy man of me, but my reasons are twofold. I'll never fight again because boxing is a business, a hard, exacting, unmerciful business which causes many hours of cruel worry and anguish.

"My second reason," said the then youthful Astoria Assassin, "is the cruel attitude of the fight fans. While I was successful, I was idolized. It was Paul this and Paul that. I was a hero among heroes. But what a change when defeat was my share! The very public that idolized me when I was champ, turned against me. Their hisses, their catcalls, stung me more than the knockout I suffered at Mike McTigue's hands. It was a sad blow to me and I then and there decided I was through with the boxing game forever."

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THE extremely sensitive "Oom Paul" was plenty hurt and through with the ring forever—or so he thought.

Berlenbach owned plenty of real estate property, had salted plenty of sugar away, and he lived the life of a gentleman of leisure. A dog fancier, he owned nine Great Danes which won prizes at the Westminster Dog Show. The value on his pooches alone was estimated at $50,000.

In an interview in December 1925, right at his peak, Berly expressed a desire to return to wrestling when his fistic career was ended. Whether or not he was saying this to help the ballyhoo for his forthcoming fight with Delaney at that time will never be known, but on April 23, 1929, he was back at the grunt and groan sport.

He threw Fred Grubmeier in short order before a packed house, but most of the sports writers present decried this downfall of a once great idol.

On May 13, 1929, poor Paul was tossed out of a ring in Philadelphia while wrestling with one Pat McKay. The referee said the men were "not trying"—a poor low for wrestlers!

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IN 1931 Berlenbach attracted headline space in newspapers all over the country when he took a job as a bartender. As reporters tried to inject the "sob-sister" angle about a once great champion going broke, Paul hotly denied he was destitute. He pointed out that the bulk of his money was tied up in realty and annuities and that the job was a means of earning ready cash. Rightfully, he also declared that working for a living was no disgrace. Berlenbach, as has been pointed out was a thoroughbred through and through, a man among men.

The lure of the ring—boxing—the sport he had angrily condemned beckoned again, and in 1931 he knocked out a palooka named Eddie Clark in a farcical fight. The late Hype Igoe, who had fastened the monicker, "The Belting Beauty" on Berly, made an impassioned appeal in a brilliantly written masterpiece on April 1 for Paul to quit the game for good.

"Paul Berlenbach," the late, beloved scribe wrote, "you were a great warrior. Boy, you could fight!"

"It's a crying shame," Hype continued, "to have dirty-necked galleryites who couldn't whip an old applewoman, bawl at a one-time great fighter like Paul Berlenbach: 'Trow dat bum out!' You NEVER were that. If they were hurling twenty dollar gold pieces at you, Paul, it wouldn't be so bad, but when it comes to the 'bird,' the jeers and such, why hell's bells, it isn't coming to YOU."

On May 7, 1931, he was flattened while sparring in the Pioneer Gym, by a young heavyweight named Ralph Ficucello. Berlenbach wept bitterly when he came to, and escorted by Dan Hickey to his dressing quarters, he collapsed again. The New York Boxing Commission later refused to license him to fight again.

The last fight on record in which Berlenbach engaged was a loss in ten rounds to Carl Knowles at Atlanta, Georgia, in October, 1933.

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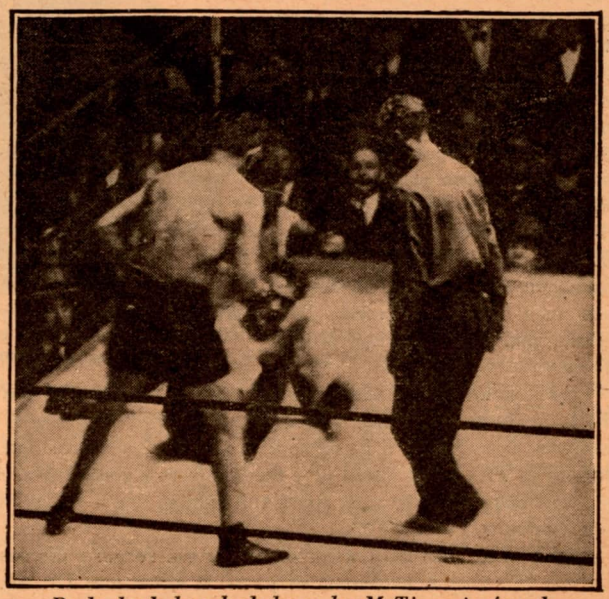
THERE were varied reports as Paul vanished from the fistic scene. He was rumored a bouncer in a gin mill. He was coming back to boxing with a young protege. He was partners in a golf-driving range in Miami in 1937. Finally Paul did come back to boxing, a sport he really loves deep in the cockles of his heart.

In 1939 the promoters at the Fort Totten Arena in Bayside, New York, signed Berlenbach to referee the bouts held there. Each week as Paul stepped lithely through the ropes, he received an ovation from the fans that must have warmed his heart. His officiating was of a high order. The season ended and Paul once again vanished from the temporary limelight.

The war obscured him completely until about a year ago.

It was learned then that Berlenbach was employed at the Ruppert Brewery in the export department. The ex-champ is extremely well liked and popular with his co-workers.

This extraordinary battler who cussed and rapped the sport he once headlined, still succumbs to the constant lure of the ring. The newspaper clippings, the applause and cheers, the popularity that goes with it still beckon, and although Paul Berlenbach wouldn't quit his present position for a boxing post, we know he'll be back soon perhaps as a referee or judge; perhaps as the manager and trainer of a great body puncher and fistic champion. The kind of a crowd-pleasing champ "Paralyzin' Paul" Berlenbach was in his prime.



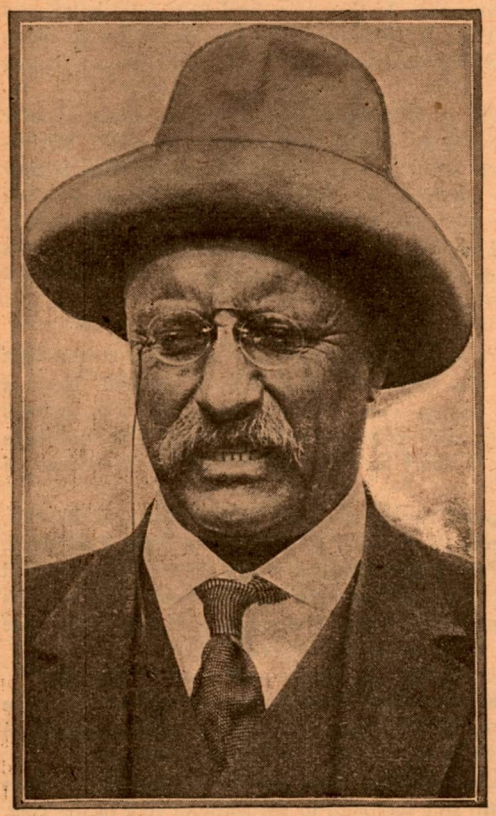
Berlenbach knocked down by McTigue in fourth.

IN DEFENSE *of* BOXING

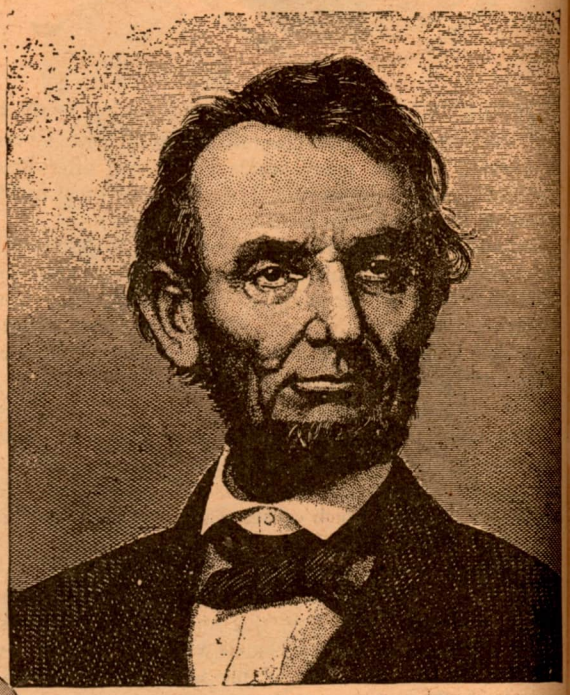
An Answer to Attacks Levelled Against the Sport by Mid-Western Educators in Public Forum

By NAT FLEISCHER

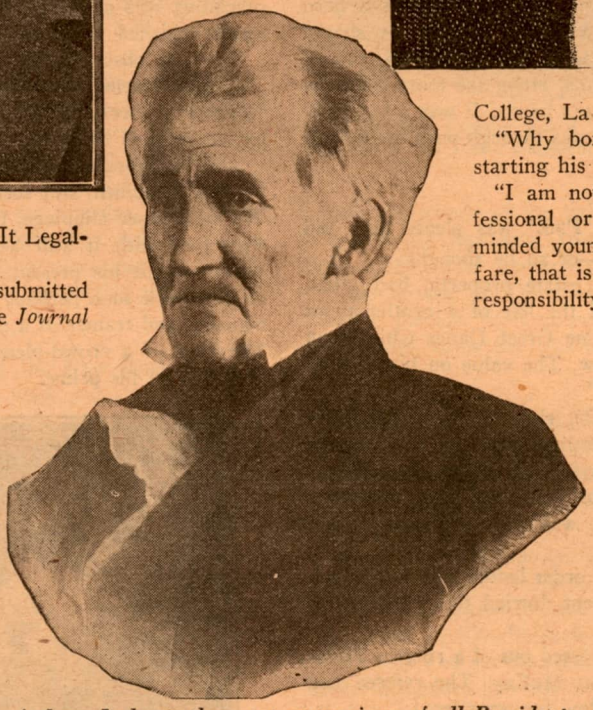
Editor of THE RING MAGAZINE



Left: Theodore Roosevelt, whose love for boxing continued from his youth through his days in the White House. He was a strong advocate of boxing for the American youth.



Right: Abraham Lincoln, who was adept with his fists and also was an expert wrestler. He fostered both sports among his men in the army.



Andrew Jackson, the most pugnacious of all Presidents. He loved a good scrap either on the battle field or in the ring and often donned the gloves for a workout.

"IS BOXING A SPORT or Is It Legalized Assault and Battery?"

The above was a question submitted to the readers of the Milwaukee *Journal* by its Sports Editor for discussion in an open forum on his sports pages, a discussion that has had an aftermath in comment by those interested in boxing all over the country. Among the many letters received by THE RING Editor asking for an editorial answer to the attacks on the sport by most of those whose comments were published, was one from the veteran Tom Walsh, manager, promoter and publicist of the Old School of Boxing, a school made famous by such men as Nate Lewis, Jack Kearns and Jack Hurley, among others.

"I am enclosing an article from the Milwaukee *Journal* in which the sport of boxing was used as an open forum and the discussion has created a furore out this way. I am sure that an editorial in THE RING would give the knockers a chance to absorb the truth about boxing as a sport and I hope you'll oblige with some comment," wrote Tom.

What amazed me most after digesting the forum's discussion was the fact that a professor of physical education, Dr. W. J. Wittich, Director of Health, Hygiene and Recreation in State College, La Crosse, Wis., should be the author.

"Why boxing?" the Health Director asks in starting his comment.

"I am not going to express opinions on professional or intercollegiate boxing. If mature-minded young men wish to jeopardize their welfare, that is of their own choosing and their own responsibility. I wish to address these remarks to the parents of growing boys. I vigorously object to a program of interscholastic boxing for growing boys in our high schools. Let us see what it is all about."

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BEFORE taking up the points outlined by Dr. Wittich, I call his attention to the recommendation of our highest ranking generals in World War II, and those still serving our country in occupied lands, that boxing be given the youths who are being called to the colors because of the sport's aid as a morale builder, for its recreational value in far-off countries where these boys are being sent and for its physical educational benefits.

I wonder whether Dr. Wittich visited any of the Army camps, as I did, and saw boys of 18 to 20, lads just out of the schools and many of them taken from their studies by Uncle Sam for war service, participating in boxing to gain a knowledge of self-protection against an enemy they would soon meet on the battlefields!

If he had, he couldn't possibly have accused our Army and

Navy leaders with wrecking the lives of the youth of America through boxing. One visit by him to Cherry Point, the training ground of the Marine Corps, would quickly have changed his mind. There boxing is a compulsory sport and thousands of American lads in their 'teens took part in it and then went over to Guadalcanal, Iwo Jima and other dreaded Jap islands where the vicious Japs were entrenched. The trained boys fought with the courage and bravery that earned for them immortal praise.

Who were the heroes of these bitterly fought, death-dealing battles in the South Pacific islands?

They were the boys who had learned through the lessons they had received in boxing, how to attack the enemy, how to feint him into an opening for the "kill," how to defend themselves against an open assault, body-to-body attack, and how to use the general tactics employed in boxing in the use of the dreaded bayonet!

Those are the things these high school urchins learned from boxing and in the employment of the knowledge so gained, they brought victory to America and death to the opponents of our way of living.

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NOW for Dr. Wittich's points:

"1. The aim of boxing is to inflict bodily punishment to the opponent. Boxing is the only sport in which one individual deliberately sets out to do bodily harm to another. The head becomes the target and the knockout, the goal. The crowd is sorry and cheers the victim. The incident is lamentable. In boxing, the goal is to injure. Time out is ten seconds and pandemonium breaks loose on behalf of the 'Winnah.'"

Well, Dr. Wittich, did you ever hear of football? Did you ever see a bunch of collegians gang up on one lad carrying the ball? Did you ever watch the stretcher bearers, of teammates, carry one of the players off the field with a broken leg, a broken arm, a broken neck or a broken vertebrae, while the opposing side's rooters and the home boys cheered the injured player as he was led to the ambulance?

It has happened often, Dr. Wittich, far more often than you can name in boxing!

I keep records. I have them on file. My records show that over a stretch of seven years, 191 boys were killed or maimed in football, most of the deaths being of high school lads, and only 17 deaths took place in boxing, and most of these in amateur ranks.

Of the number, six professionals, none of major standing in the sport, were killed in the ring from concussion of the brain caused by falling on poorly padded rings. Three died from heart attacks. Two passed away from concussions brought about by the failure of the examining physician to take cognizance of recent injury to the head or recent illness, making the lad vulnerable to severe attack in the ring.

"2. Strength and endurance developed by a boxer are the results of a strenuous training regime and have nothing to do with boxing for they can be enjoyed in connection with other activities as well."

In this, the eminent educator is only partly correct. Boxing requires a particularly strenuous system of training of the boy who prides himself on being in perfect physical condition for the test he is about to face. A good boxer engages in long distance jaunts as part of his regular training routine. He goes in for long walks, three to ten mile road runs several times a week, handball practice, bag punching, rounds of shadow boxing and boxing with an opponent in the gym—all of which put him into prime physical condition. In no other sport except football does an athlete undergo such strenuous workouts in the tune-up. I advise Dr. Wittich to get a copy of my book, "Training for Boxing," which was used more so than any other treatise by men in the armed forces. It will give the good Doctor a few tips.

"3. The manly art is supposed to improve a man's ability in self-defense. Fortunately, nowadays we do not have to defend ourselves with our fists. And, too, there is a question whether jiu-jitsu and wrestling are not of greater value in jungle and tavern brawls."

Here again I must take issue with Dr. Wittich. Since he is a physical training instructor, he should know that jiu-jitsu and wrestling are far more injurious and dangerous for a lad to follow than boxing. Then he must also realize that not all persons live in an environment where they no longer have need for the use of their fists. Apparently Dr. Wittich is a good home man and doesn't ever come in contact with the roughhouse element most of us encounter from time to time.

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PERHAPS Dr. Wittich never heard of a great scholar, a humanitarian, statesman, world traveler, war hero and President of the United States named Theodore Roosevelt!

I would suggest he read up on the life of this eminent American, particularly his comment on his youth and college life. He will learn that President Roosevelt as a boy took up boxing, followed it in Harvard, where he became one of the outstanding athletes in the sport, viewed it as a spectator often while he was a Police Commissioner in New York, and then engaged in it regularly while at the White House, with Mike Donovan as his sparring mate.

I recall an interview I had with Theodore Roosevelt when the American Olympic team came back from London and he threw a party for all the returning athletes and the New York scribes. It was at Oyster Bay, and there we had a fine time listening to the stories this great man told. In relating an experience as a youth that caused him to take up the study of boxing, he said:

"I made my health what it is today. When I found that, physically, I was not the equal of other boys, I determined to make myself as strong as they, and as able a fighting man as my Norse ancestors. When only a boy, I was sent to Moosehead Lake to rid myself of asthma. While en route to the camp, I made the acquaintance of three boys who took a keen delight in teasing me. One in particular, every now and then, would thrash me until my pride was hurt and I decided that I would learn how to defend myself so that I could retaliate if ever the occasion again arose.

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"UPON my return home, I told father what had happened and he willingly consented to have me take up boxing. As instructor, Tom Long was hired and for two years this former professional fighter taught and trained me. At the end of that period I won the lightweight amateur tournament and I was elated at having mastered the sport. I also took up wrestling and became proficient in that.

"When I went to Harvard I joined the boxing team and also went in for wrestling. I sparred a great deal and also took up track athletics. It didn't make any difference that I seldom won an event for I got more good out of my boxing and wrestling exercises, both in competition and in training, than those who beat me because I immensely enjoyed the sports and I never was injured.

"When I became a New York State legislator there was a faction called the Blue Law Agitators that was bitterly opposed to boxing. I took issue with them. Like father, who believed in fair play and who believed that a fair, stand-up fight would do a boy a lot of good, I arose and defended boxing. I surprised, yes, even shocked, many mothers when I said:

" 'The boy that won't fight is not worth his salt. He is either a coward or constitutionally weak. I have taught my boys to take their own part and to fight their way whenever they must. I should punish my boys if they hesitated to defend their rights, with their fists, if necessary.'

"I have never been able to sympathize with the outcry against boxing. The only objection I have to fighting as professionals is when crookedness is involved. Aside from this, I regard boxing, professional and amateur, A HEALTHY, VIGOROUS SPORT THAT DEVELOPS COURAGE, POISE, KEENNESS OF MIND AND QUICKNESS OF EYE AND A SPIRIT OF COMBATATIVENESS THAT FITS THE BOY FOR EVERY TASK THAT MIGHT CONFRONT HIM IN THE AVERAGE LIFE TIME. IT IS NOT HALF AS BRUTALIZING OR DEMORALIZING AS MANY FORMS OF BIG

BUSINESS AND OF LEGAL WORK CARRIED ON IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH BUSINESS."

Those are the words of a great American to a gathering of 100 or more well-trained American athletes and the scribes who accompanied them to Oyster Bay, as I did, in discussing the physical condition of the men who represented us, including the Olympic boxing team, of which President Roosevelt was extremely proud.

I recalled another incident, Prof. Wittich, that may cause a change in your attitude toward boxing. It also concerns Theodore Roosevelt. He was the Police Commissioner of New York and an appeal had been made to him by the Law and Order Society to clamp down on all boxing. Particularly he was asked to stop a fight in the old Garden, and when he refused, he was asked for his reasons. This is what he said:

"Because I can see nothing wrong in boxing so long as the law is obeyed. Boxing is a great sport. Too bad our schools don't take it up. If they did, we would have more courageous young men and less street corner bullies to contend with. I love a good scrap and I admire the fighting spirit in any man."

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WHILE Police Commissioner he refused to stop the Choynski-Maher battle. In fact, he went into the Garden, saw the contest from a place close to the ring, enjoyed every minute of the affair as exemplified by his actions in fighting the bout from the sidelines, and when the contest was over, he called over Captain Williams and remarked:

"Make no arrests. There is no violation of the law. I can see no harm in such exhibitions."

The next day he was taken to task by the Law and Order Society, and he replied to their attacks:

"Why should I order an arrest? In my opinion it is far better that a man know how to protect himself as these men did last night than it is to be forced to resort to the use of firearms, knives or clubs."

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IN furthering his arguments on the public in opposition to boxing, Dr. Wittich remarks:

"In his book, 'The Medical Aspects of Boxing,' Dr. Jokl writes:

" 'There is no evidence to support the frequent allegation that boxing is a particularly valuable method of developing character, determination or personality. Refusal to realize the dangers of boxing is responsible for many a boxer's life being spoiled.' "

To this I again say, let's compare the deaths and major injuries in boxing and football, those that leave their mark on the youth for the remainder of their life, and as I already have pointed out, the shock comes when one realizes how far ahead in that category is football to the sport of fisticuffs.

As for personality, character development and determination, again I must take Dr. Jokl and Dr. Wittich to the camps of the armed forces during the last war where the thousands who were receiving their toughening up under such famous boxers as Jack Dempsey, Georgie Abrams, Tony Zale, Steve Belloise, Lou Ambers, Gus Lesnevich, Marty Servo, Fred Apostoli, among scores of other professional fighting men, idolized their instructors.

These boys became so proficient in the art of self-defense as taught in boxing, jiu-jitsu and wrestling, the combination of which spelled COMMANDO TACTICS, that among the thousands who came back alive, whether in good physical condition or wounded, gave full credit to this type of instruction as having been instrumental in saving their life on the battle front.

Let's not kid ourselves, Profs. Jokl and Wittich. You both have the wrong slant on boxing. I, too, was a physical education instructor and I know whereof I speak.

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DR. WITTICH goes further to quote other eminent pathologists and educators to carry out his point against boxing, among them Dr. Beard of the University of Illinois, who says:

"I contacted pathologists, coroners, neuro-psychiatrists, athletic directors and health service directors all over the country, and from their reports I have concluded:

"Boxing should not be included in the sports program of an educational institution, either as a curricular or extra-curricular activity. The objective is to injure an opponent. The more efficient the offense, the greater the injury. The injuries most common are insidious, in many cases not recognized by either participants or coaches. The effect of the head blows is cumulative and is not recognized in early stages. Contests are impossible to control, hence the dangers of ill effects to participants outweigh the value of the competition."

Has Dr. Beard ever heard of state boxing commissions?

Does he know that under state control of boxing, less than one per cent of the participants in pro boxing annually have been found to have lost their faculties because of such participation, whereas in the other most strenuous sport, football, the danger arising from being repeatedly knocked to the ground is much greater, as the yearly records prove?

Dr. Beard says that he has consulted the leading figures to get to his conclusion. My answer to that is that he consulted only those who would be instrumentally beneficial to his conclusion, because he admits he has not consulted the most important persons in his investigation, members of state athletic commissions and their medical advisers, who have the data to prove the fallacy of his contention.

Perhaps he would also have been wise to have consulted me for I've made a study of this situation over a stretch of years in conjunction with Dr. William H. Walker of the New York Commission. He has examined more fighters than any man in America and has more authentic records to prove the erroneous contention of Dr. Beard, Dr. Wittich and Dr. Jokl than any other person.

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AND now for the final attack by a man who should know better because he reaped a fortune in professional boxing and quit the ring, not because he was afraid of becoming punch drunk, but, according to his own statement as I have it here before me, made on the day he met the newspapermen at a luncheon given by him when he announced his retirement:

"Gentlemen, I have definitely decided to retire from the ring as the undefeated world heavyweight champion. I am going to be married and am giving up the sport to devote myself to business and to settle down."

The man who said that is Gene Tunney. Yet in his autobiography, "A Man Must Fight," he has the following quote, which was used by the forum:

"I quit the game that had threatened my sanity before I met with an accident in a fight that would permanently injure my brain."

The forum article goes on with this:

"Tunney saw the handwriting on the wall and he did not care to share the fates of Langford, Walcott, Pete Herman and many others."

Good reading matter, gentlemen, for the opposition, but not for those who follow boxing. Gene Tunney never quit the ring because he was afraid of becoming punch drunk or blind, as are Langford and Herman today. He quit because he married a millionaire Carnegie heiress, who insisted that he give up the ring and because he had reaped a fortune running into several millions in his fights with Jack Dempsey and didn't need any more money.

It is safe to say that the Gene Tunney whom I knew when he started out as a pro, or the Gene who came down to my office upon his return from the first World War and pleaded with me, through his manager, to give him a break in the sports pages of the New York *Telegram*, of which I was Sports Editor, did not quit the ring because of fear of physical disablement. No, he quit because he had all the money he ever would need. The boxing game had been good to him and he didn't need its help any longer.

Nor did Tunney think as he wrote in his life story when, the day after he had been appointed as a Commander in the Navy in charge of physical training,

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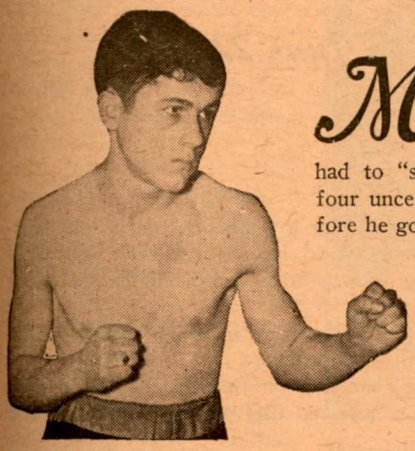
First Serviceman *to* Win Title

Marty Servo Disproves Assertion of Fistic Experts That Pro Fighters Who Were Ring Rusty While Uncle Sam Managed Them, Could Not Regain Pre-War Fighting Form

By EDDIE MERRILL



Marty Servo, knockout conqueror of Freddie Cochrane. Marty won the world welter crown in Madison Square Garden.

MEET the new champ! Baby-faced Marty Servo of Schenectady, N. Y., had to "sweat it out" through four uncertain years of war before he got his big chance at the welterweight title, but it was well worth it, the quiet-mannered youth observed in an interview the morning after the fight with Freddie "Red" Cochrane.

Obviously jubilant, Servo nevertheless managed to restrain his enthusiasm to a somewhat moderate degree as he answered the many questions fired at him.

"Did the prospect of travelling fifteen rounds for the first time in your career bother you at all?" the new welter crown wearer was asked.

"No, I was in great shape. Best condition I ever got into in my life, thanks to my trainer Charley Goldman," Servo replied. "I used to be a cross-country runner when I was attending Nott Terrace High School in Schenectady," Marty continued, "and let me tell you something, brother, stepping fifteen rounds in a ring is a cinch compared to the way a guy has to keep going and pace himself in a long foot race. My severe training in the Coast Guard also put me in excellent physical condition. I was fit when they discharged me."

Servo was born Mario Severino on November 3, 1919, one of seven children. He began his ring career as an amateur when he was but sixteen years old. In his first simon-pure scrap he weighed 112, and found himself inside the ring with a 134-pound opponent. Marty won his first fight and ran up a string of 34 consecutive wins. In 97 amateur bouts Marty was defeated only three times!

As a featherweight, he was Diamond Belt winner in 1937. The following year he copped the Golden Gloves featherweight crown. George Salamone defeated Servo in the finals of an International Golden Gloves Tourney, but three years later as a pro, the upstater evened the score by trouncing Salamone in eight rounds at Hartford, Conn.

Servo boasts the unique record of never having boxed a four-round prelim bout. His first money tilt was against George Hall, whom he defeated in a six-rounder at Washington, D. C. His second bout was scheduled for the Ridgewood Grove in Brooklyn and Johnny Attell, who was matchmaker for the historic old small club, suggested to Al Weill, Servo's manager, that the name of Severino be shortened. Weill liked the idea and changed Mario Severino to Marty Servo.

"How do you feel about your first title defense against Ray Robinson in May?" the champ was asked.

"I'm extremely anxious to face Robinson," Servo replied quickly. "I want to prove I can lick him clearly and decisively. We had it out twice and each time there were plenty of folks who thought I had an edge."

Servo and Robinson boxed twice. They went ten bristling rounds on September 25, 1941, with Sugar Ray copping a ten-round duke. Eight months later on May 28, 1942, the men were rematched to box ten rounds in the Garden. Servo had enlisted in the Coast Guard and had voluntarily promised 10% of his purse to the Coast Guard Relief Fund.

This time the press, public and officials failed to see eye-to-eye. The official verdict was a split decision, with Referee Billy Cavanagh casting his ballot for Servo while Judges Bill Healey and Tom Curley saw Robinson as the winner.

Robinson incidentally was among the very first to congratulate Servo after he had knocked out Cochrane. Robinson rather poignantly asked, "How does it feel to be a champ?" Then Ray pointed to Servo's left hand. "When you fight me, champ," he admonished with mock severity, "make sure you leave that home!"

"Were your battles with Ray Robinson the toughest you've ever had?" was the next query directed at Servo.

"It might sound strange to you, but one of the toughest guys I've ever fought was Lew Jenkins. They said I won pretty easy, took ten out of the ten rounds. Believe me, I was happy to lick the guy that had knocked out Lou Ambers for the title. It was kind of a second-hand revenge, but I was happy," he reiterated.

"Let me tell you something, though," Servo continued. "This Jenkins guy sure could hit! Robinson can't punch in the same league with him. Even when Jenkins hit you as you were going away from his right hand punches, or when he landed on top of your head, you could swear the guy packed a pair of sledge hammers in each glove."

"I want so much to be a great fighting champion," Servo declared earnestly. "I want my cousin, Lou Ambers, whom I've always idolized, to be proud of me. If I can be as great a champ as he was, I'll be satisfied."

Al Weill, his manager, cut in. "I want to say that Marty Servo is gonna try his darndest to bring back the color and greatness to the welterweight division that it had during the days of Britton, Lewis, Mickey Walker, McLarnin, Ross, Armstrong, and the rest of the great 147 pounders."

Ross himself paid great tribute to Servo. The Guadalcanal hero, one of the great welterweight champions of whom the prize ring is proud, was among the 17,378 spectators who attended the Servo-Cochrane title tilt at Madison Square Garden.

"For a boy," said Barney, "who has been in the service and out of action for close to four years, this youngster made an amazing showing. He is an unusually strong and determined kid and he boxes well. His work on the inside, too, is tremendously effective."

In the crowded dressing room, after Marty had won the title, a stocky, middle-aged man managed to squeeze his way through the throng gathered to pay homage to the new welterweight king. It was Marty Servo's father, a Schenectady businessman, who always attends the new champion's bouts. They kissed each other as Papa Servo murmured anxiously, "You're all right?" The handsome son hastily reassured him. "Fine, dad," and one was definitely impressed that Marty Servo was not only a great fighter but a good son.

The new king of the welterweights is sure to reign for a long time if proper conditioning counts. Against Cochrane he was in superb shape. Fast living and the bright lights have no magnetism for Servo. Marty confesses to one "vice" though.

He can't get enough of the movies. Servo, when he is not training for a fight, goes several times a week. His favorite actor is John Garfield. He has no favorite actress. Servo is still a rabid track and field fan and tries to attend the big meets in the East. Marty is one pug who holds no disdain for the gruelling chore of daily roadwork when in training. *(Continued on page 36)*

How Louis Wrested Title *from* Braddock

Joe Stopped Jim in Eighth Round at Chicago on June 22, 1937, With a Right to the Jaw

By DANIEL M. DANIEL

ELIMINATING Tommy Burns and his disputed right to consideration, we find that in a line started by John L. Sullivan with his 1889 triumph over Jake Kilrain, Joe Louis is the fourteenth holder of the heavyweight championship.

Will Billy Conn, of Pittsburgh, who tackles Joe for a second time at Yankee Stadium in New York on the night of June 19, be No. 15?

The experts already have decided that, irrespective of how far Louis may have deteriorated through his long layoff from competition—a recess which dates from his six-round triumph over Abe Simon for the Army Relief Fund in New York on March 27, 1942—the Negro title holder will prevail again over his white challenger.

However, with all that, there lies in this Louis-Conn situation a most intriguing element of suspense, and something-could-happen.

That you never can tell about horses, women and fights was accentuated on the night of June 18, 1941, at the Polo Grounds in New York, when Conn had the better of Louis right up to the knockout in the thirteenth round.

Had the impetuous Irishman kept a cool head, had he been content with coasting along on his advantage through the fifteen-round limit, Billy Conn would have been the fifteenth glove champion that very night.

However, all that is water over the dam—though we are going to come back to it later on in this series of flashbacks in the career of Joseph Barrow of Alabama, known as Joe Louis, in whose veins flows not only Negro but Caucasian and Cherokee Indian blood.

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MY immediate design is to trace Joe's rise to the championship, and to reconstruct for you the fight with Jim Braddock, in which Louis achieved a knockout in the eighth round.

Louis was crowned king of the realm of boxing on the night of June 22, 1937, in Chicago.

Joe weighed 197¼ pounds, Braddock tipped the beam at 197. And the third man in the ring was Tommy Thomas.

Braddock's story, the drama of the man who rose from poverty, from relief, from being a public charge, to the heavyweight championship of the world, is known to every follower of boxing. It is one of the most alluring yarns in the entire book of the ring.

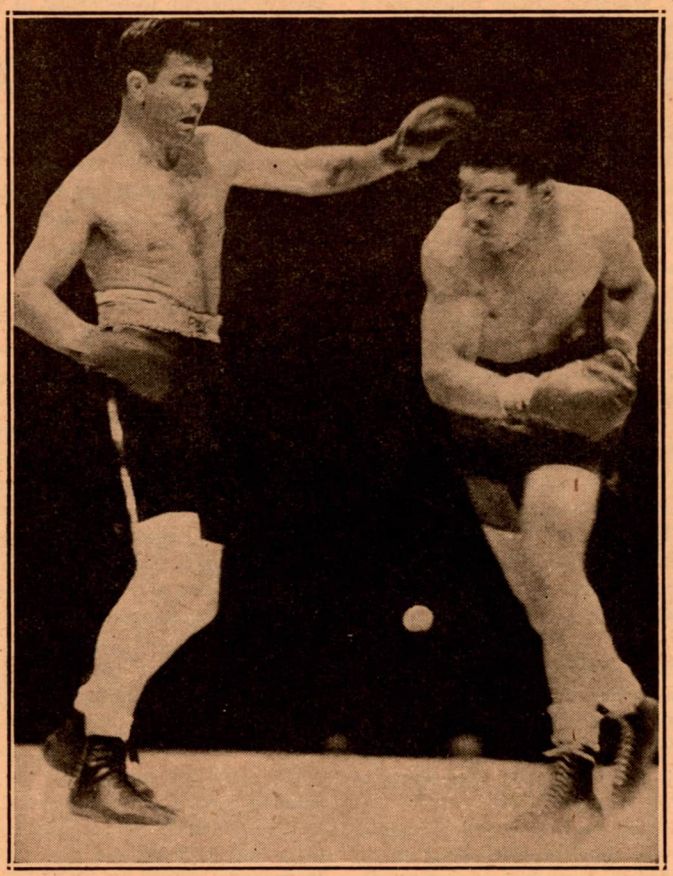
Before going into details of the battle in which Louis won from Braddock, let us fill in the background.

Braddock became the champion on June 13, 1935, in the now non-existent arena in Long Island City, by beating Max Baer in 15 rounds, on points.

There was no question about supremacy that night. Baer was supposed to be the killer, Braddock was expected to be the victim. But with calm, relentless skill, with a clever antidote for the clowning Maxie, Jim piled up enough points in the 45 minutes of action to win the title without any chance for dispute or controversy.

Baer had taken the championship from Primo Carnera, one of the most tragic and pathetic figures in the annals of boxing, on June 14, 1934. Max stopped the Gargantuan Italian in the eleventh.

Carnera had won the title from Jack Sharkey, who had beaten Max Schmeling, who had become recognized as the leader by winning from Sharkey in four rounds on a foul. That was after the title had been left vacant through Gene Tunney's retirement following his none too brilliant victory over Tom Heeney.



Louis completes a right hand swing as Braddock desperately backs away shortly before he was knocked out in the eighth round.

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TUNNEY, as you know, had beaten Jack Dempsey, who had won from Jess Willard. Jess had knocked out Jack Johnson, who had stopped Jim Jeffries. The Boilermaker had taken the title from Bob Fitzsimmons, and the Blacksmith had stopped Jim Corbett. Gentleman Jim had punched the daylights out of poor old John L. Sullivan.

After Jeffries' retirement, in March, 1905, Tommy Burns beat Marvin Hart for what was supposed to be the heavyweight title. Burns was knocked out by Jack Johnson in the fourteenth round in Sydney, New South Wales, on December 26, 1908.

That completes the job of painting in the titular scenery for the approaching battle between Louis and Conn.

Now for the remarkable career of Joe Louis. Born at Lexington, Alabama, on May

13, 1914, Louis eventually landed in Detroit, and went to work in the Ford plant.

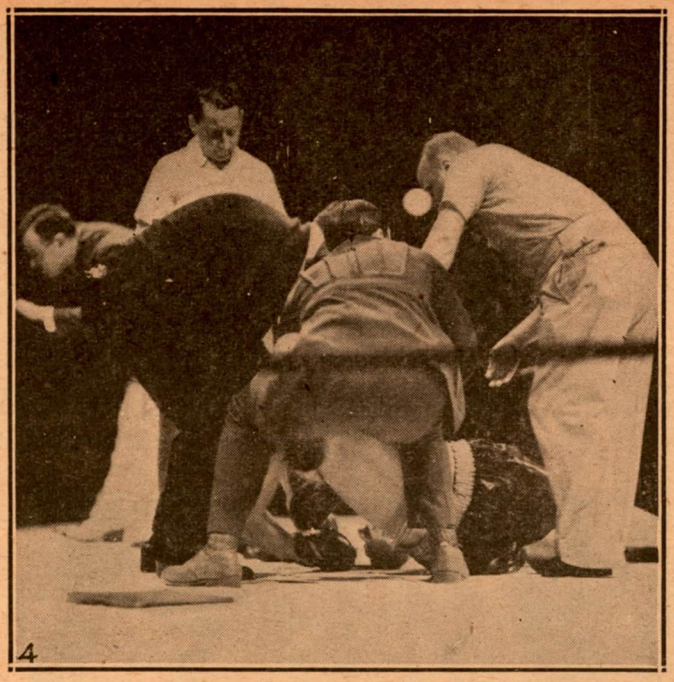
Joe began to fool around with amateur boxing, and after amazing successes in the Golden Gloves and other simon pure festivals, broke out as a pro on July 4, 1934, when he stopped Jack Kracken in one round, in Chicago.

Within one year, Louis was ready for the standout heavies of the world—an incredible development.

On June 25, 1935, Joe stopped Carnera in the sixth.

On September 24, 1935, Louis whaled the tar out of Max Baer in four rounds. Before the year was out, the Negro mauled Paulino in four. Joe was on his way.

On June 19, 1936, Louis suffered the one and only setback of his career. He was whipped, and knocked out, by Max Schmeling, the former champion, in twelve rounds in New York. In my next article, I will go back to Joe's defeat by the German, and the Negro's full measure of revenge on June 22, 1938, when he almost killed Max in a fight that lasted only two minutes, four seconds.



Braddock's seconds rush to his rescue after he had been counted out in the eighth round.

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LOUIS refused to let the setback by Schmeling throttle his ambition or kill his determination.

Two months after his defeat by Schmeling, Louis started his comeback campaign with a triumph over Jack Sharkey, stopping the faded former champion in the third.

Al Ettore was whipped in five heats; Jorge Brescia in three; Eddie Simms in one; Stan Ketchel in two.

Then came that ten-rounder with Bob Pastor in New York, on January 27, 1937. Pastor did not do too much fighting that night. He did do considerable legging around the Garden ring, and, if he achieved nothing else, got the satisfaction of having lasted the limit.

This, of course, set up the later battle with Pastor in Detroit, in which Bob went into the eleventh.

After his New York quadrille with Pastor, Louis stopped Natie Brown in four heats.

Then came the match with Braddock. In this was involved a tremendous pother of ring politics and behind the scenes maneuvering.

Braddock had signed to fight Schmeling in New York. Tickets had been printed. The fight was postponed.

Once again tickets were printed. But for a second time the event was postponed. Finally it was scheduled for June 22, 1937, in New York.

Braddock did not tackle Schmeling, but chose, instead, to make a match with Louis.

First Braddock had pleaded arthritis. Then it was a bad thumb. Ultimately came the explanation from Joe Gould, Jim's manager, that Americans would not support a fight in which Schmeling, affiliated with the Nazi Party in Germany, was a participant.

Maybe Gould had something there. In any event, Braddock had been out of competition for two years. His tours had not been too successful financially.

Gould and Braddock were determined not to risk the title without absolute certainty of a truly opulent return. This could be Jim's one, big, last chance. He had come up the hard way, he just could not afford to take too many financial risks.

Schmeling howled. Germany howled. The New York Commission yammered. Max went to Speculator, N. Y., and punished himself through a long training regimen.

Then Max came down to New York and went through a farcical weighing in. The idea was for the German to claim the title by default.

The idea was interesting enough, but the scheme did not work out. The Phantom Fight became a source of fun-poking in the sports pages, Schmeling had to admit defeat and flew back to Naziland on the ill-fated Hindenburg.

"I will win the title yet, and I will come back to America to demand justice from the American public," yodeled Max as he quit our terra firma.

He did come back, and his manager, Joe Jacobs, came very close to being forced to ship back what was left of Max in a little box. However, the one-rounder with Louis gave Schmeling a lot of phony marks, and a castle in Germany.

Tackling Louis on the very June night he was supposed to be fighting Schmeling in New York, Braddock made one of the most remarkable stands you will find in all the grand theatre of heavyweight championship competition.

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THOSE who saw the 32-year-old campaigner wage his stubborn and game battle against the 23-year-old powerful Negro never will forget how Jim floored Joe in the first round; how Braddock staved off the inevitable in the fifth, sixth and seventh; and how Louis scored one of the most devastating knockouts in the history of the title in the eighth.

The end came after 1 minute, 10 seconds of fighting in that fateful eighth. The older man was very tired. He had taken a far more severe beating than even the closest ringsiders that night in Comiskey Park realized.

That's one of the strange things in every Louis appearance. The ringsiders never seem to appreciate how terrifically he hits and how tough it is to stand up against the Brown Bomber for even three minutes.

Braddock disdained running around the ring. He fought the kind of fight Louis liked—stand up and sock.

Soon after the gong in the eighth, Louis hooked a left to the head. That was the real finisher. Braddock was a goner.

"Wham!" went the Louis right! A straight crash to a wide open chin!

Braddock was lifted off the canvas. He whirled like a sick Dervish, then crumpled to the floor, face in the resin.

Referee Thomas counted, but it was a perfunctory process, demanded by boxing law. Tommy could have kept right on tolling up to a hundred in so far as Braddock was concerned.

It was one of the most convincing knockouts the game has seen, one of the most terrific punches that yet has gained the title in the heavyweight class.

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AFTER the fight the experts were unanimous in the belief that Louis had achieved his crest in the sixth round. In that session the challenger incised a deep cut over Braddock's left eye anew and began to show serious signs of wilting.

However, good as Louis was in that hectic sixth, he did not come out of it unscathed. Braddock was tiring but still blazing, he was fading but still as game as they ever have come, fading out but still breathing defiance.

As the sixth got under way, Joe drove two lefts to the face

and followed with a sharp right to the jaw. That hurt.

Yet, Braddock did not back away. He tore in with a two-fisted attack and sent the Negro back to the ropes, quite satisfied not to press the point at the moment.

It was then that Louis sent the fistic scalpel deeper into the cut he had made over Braddock's eye as early as the second minute of the fight. Blood streamed down Jim's face, impairing his vision. The gore squirted over Joe. It was a carmine carnival.

Louis sensed that the end was nearing, so he charged in with a succession of right-handers that staggered the older fighter.

Louis then tore open Braddock's upper lip. But, did Jim back away? Not for a second. He lashed a right to the jaw and Joe's knees sagged. The bell came to his relief.

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BRADDOCK was in real trouble even as early as the second round. His knockdown of Louis in the opening heat was accomplished with a red hot right. It tipped Joe over and he barely deigned to take the short count. Up he jumped and ripped into the champion with plenty.

In the second round, Louis had his troubles, too. But just before the bell he came through with a couple of specials—a right, then a left, and the good barkentine Braddock was flying signals of distress.

Braddock was none too spry coming out for the third, but once he had warmed to his task, he was still dangerous. As, for example, when he crossed a couple of rights to the jaw. Had Jim hit the mark with his third, that would have been a still better fight, for Louis's knees had sagged.

On they fought through the fourth, fifth and sixth. Then, in the seventh, Jim opened with a hot left that sent his challenger to the ropes.

Louis tore in and jabbed his left. Soon Joe was bleeding at the nose and Jim was ditto at the mouth.

As the eighth got under way, Braddock sent Joe into retreat with a couple to the noggin. However, a Louis attack on the body was murderous. As Jim lowered his guard to protect his stomach, Joe hooked for the jaw. A left, then a right, and down went Jim. A new champion had been crowned!

The Brown Bomber is proclaimed the new world titleholder.

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WITH that victory over Braddock, Louis became the second Negro to hold the world heavyweight title. The first was Jack Johnson.

Braddock received $262,000 for his 22 minutes of fighting. Louis was rewarded with the title and $110,000. Mike Jacobs cleared something like $150,000, net.

The house came to 48,000 paid, with a grand take of $715,000.

"I should have had a couple of tune-up fights," wailed Braddock the next day.

"And I should have made better use of the right uppercut with which I sent Louis down in the first round."

In the *Sun*, New York, Frank Graham wrote: "The end of Braddock as a champion was in keeping with his entire career. He fought as he always had. Ruggedly, dangerously and gamely.

"A majority of the experts conceded him only an outside chance to win, and thought the odds against him should have been longer than they were at ring time, when they were only 8 to 5, or thereabouts. But Braddock believed in himself. He wasn't in there just to take a beating and get as much as he could for relinquishing the title. He was in there to win, and he never stopped trying, even when it was obvious to those who looked on that he couldn't possibly stave off defeat.

"The picture that he left in the minds of those who were at the ringside will remain with them always. A picture of an old-time gladiator who walked unblinking into a raking fire. Who scorned to evade punishment by holding or running. Who sought only to trade punches with his foe and bring him down. Who must have known that defeat was inescapable. But who refused to admit it.

"Braddock, who never was a great fighter, exerted a great influence on those whom he touched in his passing as champion. And as long as prize fighting endures he will remain a symbol of that courage which is the highest form of expression that is given to a prize fighter.

"Johnny Broderick, who was at Braddock's side on the march from the dressing room to the ring, couldn't bear to see the finish, but left the ringside after the sixth round.

"'I knew then what was coming,' Broderick said, 'and I didn't want to see it. Braddock gave his title to Louis. It is too bad he couldn't give him his heart.'"

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LOUIS confessed that he owed something to Max Schmeling. "Schmeling taught me to climb into a shell when I got hit," said the champion. "When he dropped me in the first round, the first thing that came to my head was caution. I got hell from Chappie (Trainer Jack Blackburn) between rounds for not taking the count of nine, but I knew what I had to do. Instead of piling in, like I did after Schmeling hit me in the second round, I just boxed and took my time.

"From the middle of the second round, after I had managed to slip under Jim's lefts, I knew I only had to be careful to realize my greatest ambition. Since the Schmeling fight I always wanted to get knocked down to see if I could come back. I did, and I'm satisfied I can be a worthy champion. I'll fight any man any time they tell me to fight."

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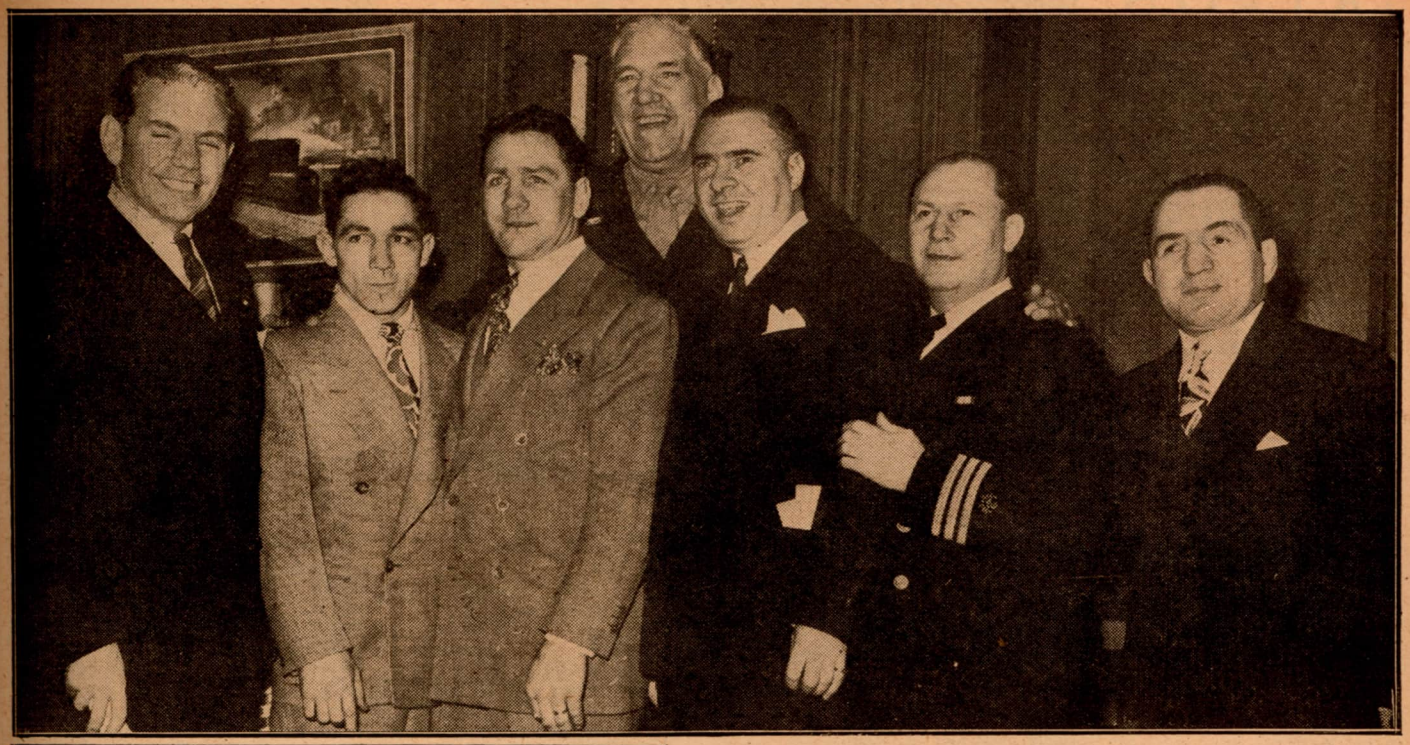
JOE WILLIAMS, of the New York *World-Telegram*, wrote: "As the fight was fought, Braddock was made to order for the Negro. The old champion was pitching right up his alley all night long. He carried the fight to Louis—and Louis always likes that. He stood up straight, shooting his punches from an erect position, instead of stepping around, as he had done against Max Baer, or weaving, as Schmeling had done to confuse Louis. Braddock did everything wrong to win the fight and everything right to lose it. He couldn't have played more completely into the hands of Louis if Louis' own handlers had been directing his tactics. Louis will murder any man who stands up straight and leads to him. That's what Braddock did and that's one of the reasons Louis looked so impressive.

"Louis showed, first against Schmeling, and later against Bob Pastor, that he is incapable of grappling *(Continued on page 36)*

BOXING CELEBRITIES ARE HONORED



The champs—Lieut. Col. Eddie Eagan, N. Y. Commission; Willie Pep, Gus Lesnevich, Jess Willard, Abe Green, N.B.A.; Benny Leonard and Louis Kid Kaplan.

On left—Willie Pep received "RING Fighter of the Year" award from Nat Fleischer.

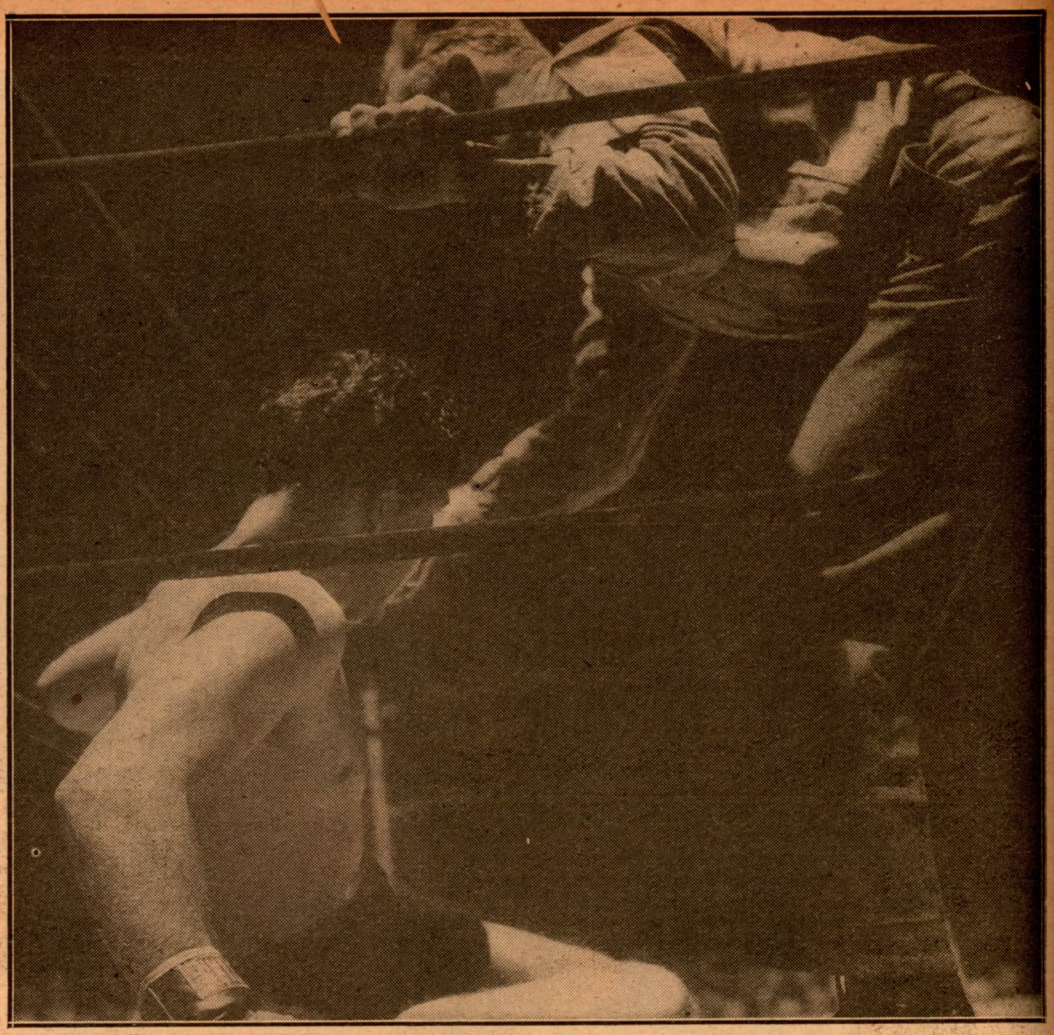
Above—James J. Walker received Edward J. Neil Plaque from Al Buck, Boxing Writers' president.

On left—Jimmy Johnston gets a Waterman pen and pencil set from James B. Dawson, toastmaster at Boxing Writers' Dinner at Ruppert's Brewery.

Servo's Win Costs Him Plenty

Marty Pays Handsome Fee to Cochrane for the Privilege of Wearing the Welterweight Crown

By
CROSS COUNTER



Cochrane resting on the canvas, is aided by Referee Joseph after the official calls him out.

THE first World War boxer to win a crown is a distinction that goes to Marty Servo, cousin of Lou Ambers. Marty, who served four years in the Coast Guard and previously had been in the army as a member of the New York State National Guard, dethroned Freddie Cochrane via the knockout route, to gain the welterweight honors. The end came in two minutes, 54 seconds of the fourth round in Madison Square Garden, with Cochrane the victim of a series of wallops that made him sufficiently helpless to be counted out.

The new champion won his crown before a near capacity gathering of 17,378 persons who paid $92,505 to see the mill, despite the fact that the champ was the underdog in the betting at odds of 13 to 5, so little did the fight fans think of his ability to retain the title. A left hook to the jaw that sank the New Jersey lad in Servo's corner, did the trick. Before that, a left to the chin caused Cochrane's knees to buckle under him and quick as a flash, Marty, sensing the kill, went out to finish his man.

No time was wasted as he tossed a left hook to the jaw, a right to the same place, a right to Freddie's bleeding lips, then right and left several times came a volley that ended only when the final blow put the champion on the canvas. With only sixteen seconds of the round to go, Cochrane made a desperate attempt to get to his feet. His supporters, who, shouting their advice, figured he would be able to last through that hectic session, get his minute's respite and then come out fighting for a new round, were shocked to see their idol pass out of the picture.

He tried to pull himself together, desperately struggled to raise himself from a position similar to that in which Gene Tunney found himself in the Battle of the Long Count in Chicago, but to no avail.

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THE arm of Referee Eddie Joseph swung up and down tolling off the doleful decimal and every second found Cochrane nearer the loss of his crown. They couldn't mistake the feeble attempt to get to his feet as indicating the end of his championship career. The punches of his younger adversary, who like the champ, had served a long stretch in the service of Uncle Sam, had left their mark on the title holder.

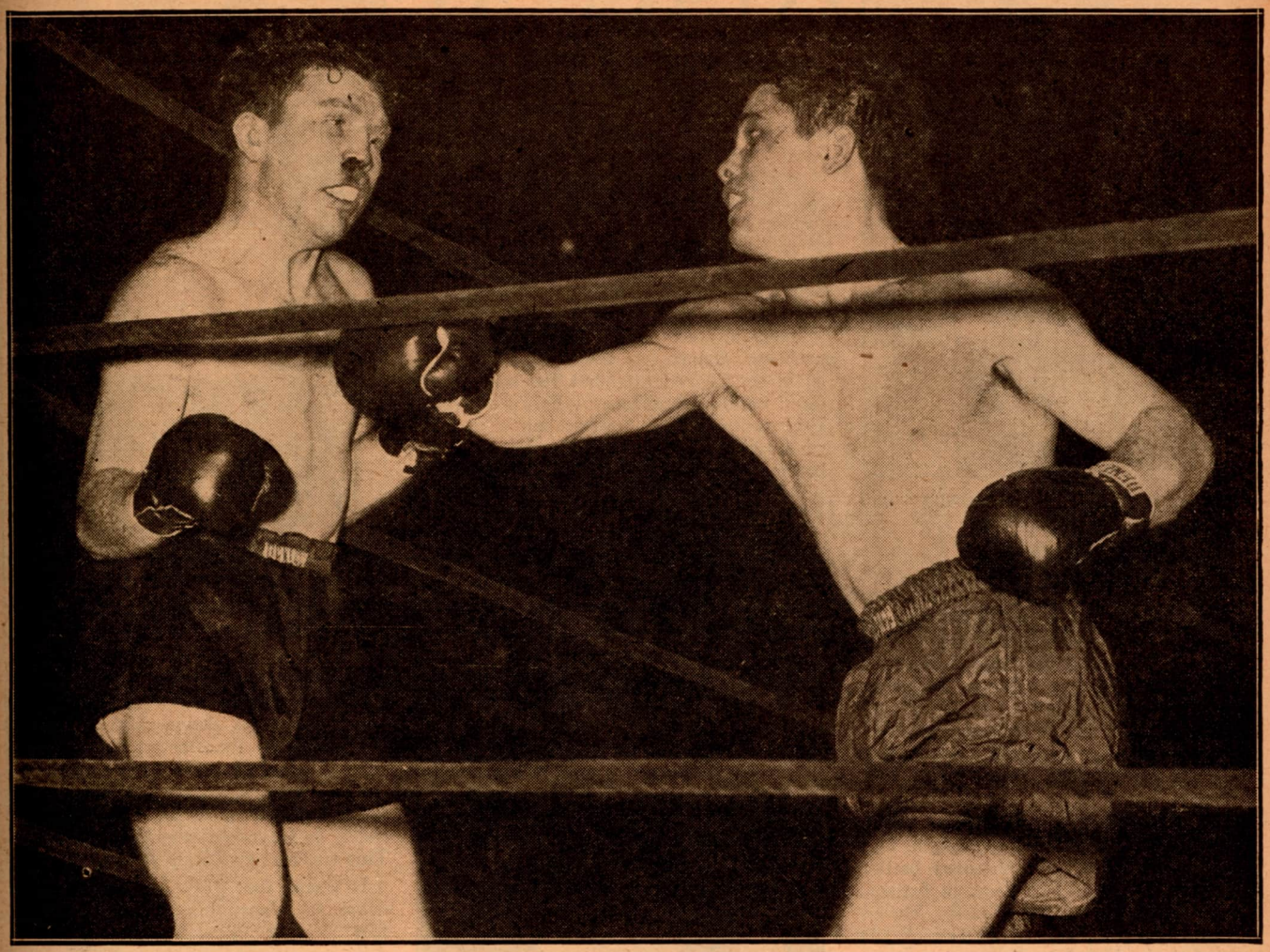
The first blow to the jaw had apparently paralyzed Freddie and started him on the road to defeat. He had lost his sense of direction. His eyes were now glazed, and his defense was nil. The volley that followed caused him to collapse as did Tunney in Chicago and it was all over but the official count. Referee Eddie Joseph took it up from Frank Fullam and at four he hesitated. Something went wrong and he asked for a louder count. Fullam momentarily stopped to shout back, "four" and now Joseph and he in unison went from five to nine, when for some unknown reason Joseph stooped and grasped the arms of Cochrane. He never completed the ten, though the general impression was that he had done so. Even Joseph declared he had counted the champ out, but when he went to the aid of Cochrane there was still a second left for the "fatal ten." However, it made little difference. Freddie was helpless and the extra second would not have saved him. Perhaps Joseph figured the extra second lost when Fullam stopped the count.

Marty won the title but got nothing but the glory for his trouble. It cost Servo and his manager, Al Weill, $6,594 in cash, the amount they were forced to pay Cochrane, to make up the difference between Cochrane's guarantee of $50,000 and the amount Servo actually received, 22½ percent of a net of $72,344.28. Thus while Cochrane lost the crown, he was the financial winner in this title bout. He did pretty well for himself in a deal that should never have been permitted to go through.

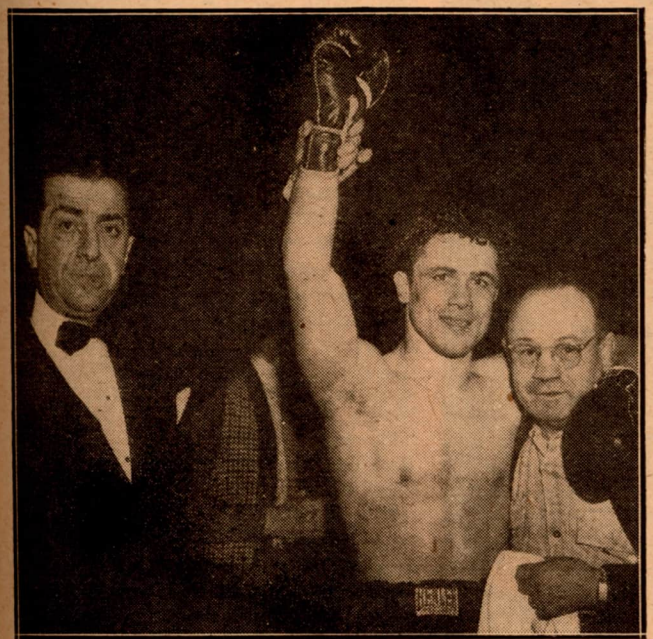
Fortunately for boxing, the bout was as honest as the day is long. Had there been the least thing shady about it, the sport would have suffered a black eye because of the deal whereby Al Weill practically bought the title for his fighter. Never again should a boxing commission permit such an arrangement.

The sport is sufficiently commercial without adding to it. The way to decide a championship bout is *(Continued on page 36)*

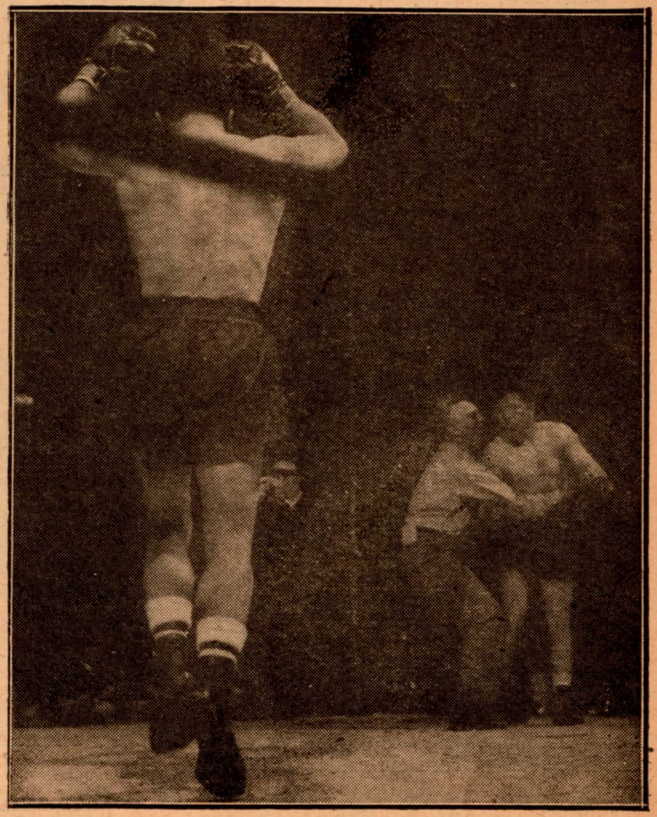
When Welter Title Changed Hands



A scene in the fourth round of the Servo- (right) Cochrane fight in Madison Square Garden, just before the champion was battered into submission. Note Freddie's bloody nose and the look of confidence on the face of the challenger. A few seconds later, Cochrane was on the canvas where he remained to be counted out.



Above: Harry Balogh, announcer, holds up hand of Servo in token of victory. Marty's faithful trainer, Charley Goldman, shares Servo's joy.



Right: Servo jumps with delight as Referee Joseph aids the defeated champion to his corner.

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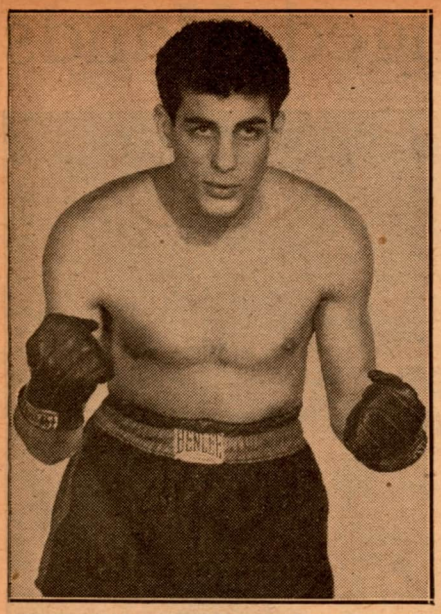


Davey Feld, Brooklyn light-heavyweight with a bright future.

DAVEY FELD

BROWNSVILLE, a teeming slum section of Brooklyn, has given to the fistic world many renowned fighters in the lighter divisions. The Silver brothers, Marty, Joey and Pal, Georgie Goldberg, and in more recent years Al Davis, Bernie Friedkin, Harold Green, Morris Reif, Lew Feldman, and numerous other outstanding boxers all hail from the Brownsville neighborhood.

Now Davey Feld, a handsome, curly-haired, 20 year old light-heavyweight, bids fair to become the first big-sized battler from Brownsville to gain fame in fistiana. Despite his youth, Feld, a shifty, clever, hard-hitter, is a seasoned veteran of the squared circle. He's been boxing ever since he was a kid in kneepants and was schooled, as was every neighborhood predecessor, in the picturesque gym in back of the pool-room run by Charley Beecher the old time fighter.

Davey started as a flyweight and boxed his way through every division up to the middleweight class when the war intervened. He has engaged in approximately 45 fights, losing but five. While in the Army, Feld won the Southwest U.S.A. Army title, flattening three men in two days. The only man ever to stop him was Georgie Kochan, in a bruising battle wherein Davey suffered severe eye cuts.

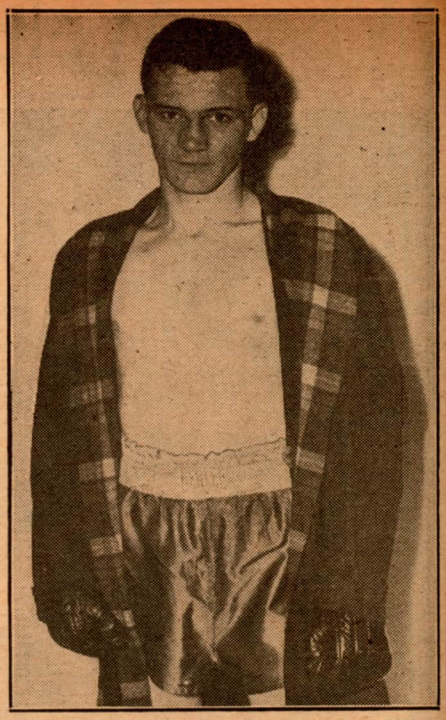
"I'm extremely anxious to box Georgie Kochan again," Feld declared as he sat on a rubbing table in his locker room while his manager Jimmy Grippo supervised the bandaging of his hands. "After that I'll fight Billy Fox or anyone else Jimmy gets for me. I hope to be a full grown heavyweight in a few more months and I'd like to get into the scramble with the Mauriellos, Baksis, Omas, and the rest of 'em."

Before he joined the Army, Feld was a puny, meek, almost sick-looking youngster who most certainly didn't ooze the confidence he displays now.

"It's all due to my new manager, Jimmy Grippo," Feld explained. "I honestly don't think I'd get anywhere without him behind me. Y'know," he continued, "the newspapers all kid Grippo about his hypnosis and magic, but I can truthfully say that I've never been as relaxed as I am now since Jimmy has been my boss."

Feld then related how he spends many hours with Grippo who sometimes induces a state of hypnosis which permits Davey to relax and get rid of his inhibitions and problems. Grippo has always been interested in the Brooklynite, but the war interfered with the purchase of Feld's contract. Feld was discharged after thirty months of service, and Grippo feels that he is a better prospect at the present stage than was Melio Bettina, the former light-heavyweight king, whom he also handles.

Laverne Roach, Texas middleweight, with an excellent amateur record, who looms as a good pro prospect.



Timothy "Buddy" Hayes, colorful Boston featherweight, a good drawing card.

TIMOTHY "BUDDY" HAYES

THEY laughed when Buddy Hayes of Boston sat down. Making his first appearance in the Boston Garden a little over a year ago, Buddy stumbled awkwardly and tripped as he climbed up the stairs into the ring. The crowd guffawed rudely as Hayes' manager Joe Dow winced. This was his new "find," his coming champ!

It seems that Hayes, nervous over his debut, had laced his shoes on the wrong feet!

A year later an overflow crowd contributed $7100 to watch Timothy "Buddy" Hayes, he of the two left feet, clearly outbox Jackie Harris at Mechanics Building to win the New England featherweight title.

The once clumsy Hayes, only 19 years old, is one of the most colorful boxers in the East. Cauliflower chroniclers write reams about Timothy Dennis Hayes. They call him the "Dead End Kid," the "Irish Hand Grenade," the "Sling-Shot Slugger" and other fancy soubriquets. Hayes wears green and gold trunks and a flashy green bathrobe adorned with shamrocks.

Another great Irish fighter, Billy Conn, inadvertently started Buddy on his boxing career. It seems that a neighborhood pal had made disparaging remarks about Conn, who was Hayes' idol. A fight started and Hayes whipped his crony. Joe Dow, a fight manager, happened by and after seeing Buddy in action, hold him he'd be a chump to continue fighting for nothing with all the dough to be had in the boxing game.

Hayes was a southpaw when he started, but Dow turned him around and taught him all the finer points of boxing. Even as a preliminary fighter when the paltry purses of $25 were coming his way, Buddy was constantly amazed. To think of all the fights he had engaged in on Boston streets —for nothing!

Now that he's a four-figure fighter, Hayes has shown good sense by returning to school for special courses to tag some-

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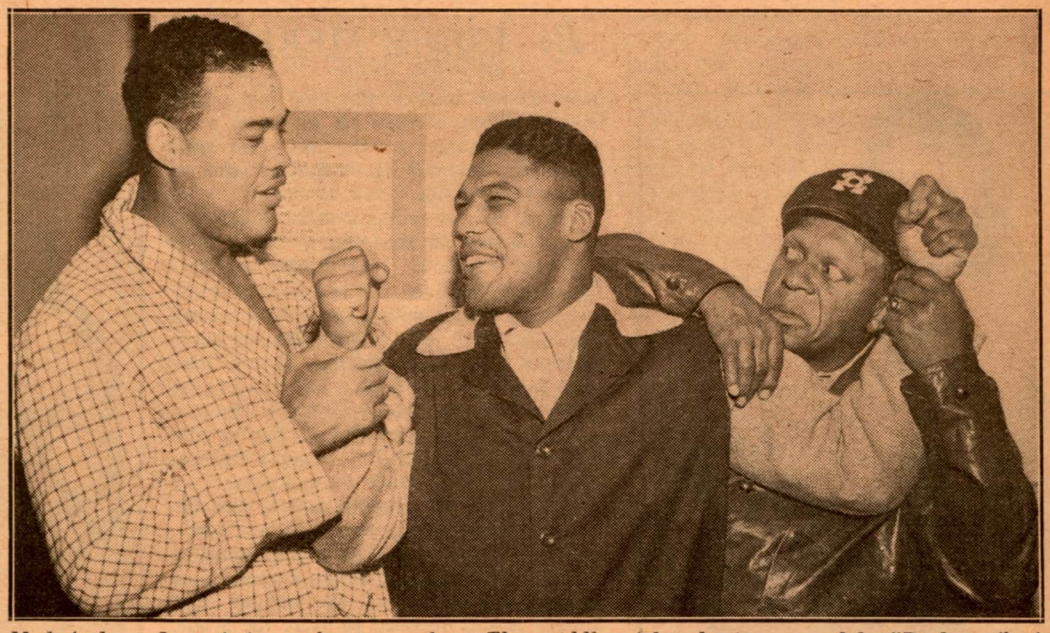
IN FISTIC SPOTLIGHT

MAD ANTHONY JONES

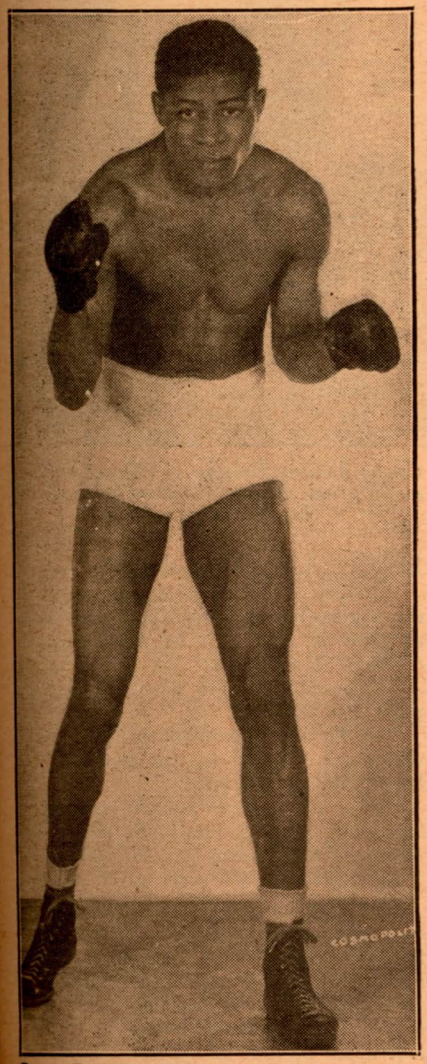
JUST out of the Air Corps, Anthony Jones, Negro middleweight, is training diligently under the guidance of his new manager, who is none other than Eddie "Rochester" Anderson of radio fame.

Jones is a good, fast boy. He won the Golden Gloves championships in 1939 and 1940. Before he enlisted in the Air Corps back in April, 1941, he engaged in five professional bouts and won all by knockouts. Later he fought oftener, meeting many good middleweights, among them, Holman Williams and Cocoa Kid.

"Rochester" can be seen training Mad Anthony Jones almost any day in the downtown Los Angeles gym. This is not the first venture into fistic circles for Jack Benny's man Friday. Some years back he piloted Billy Metcalf.



Mad Anthony Jones is in good company here. The middleweight who is managed by "Rochester" of radio fame, has the famed Joe Louis as a caller. Rochester is on Anthony's right.



Danny Peal, another former GI who boasts of an impressive string of kayoes.

EZZARD CHARLES

EZZARD CHARLES, crack Negro light-heavyweight from the Midwest, is back in mufti ready to tackle the topnotchers just as he did before joining the army four years ago.

One of the greatest welterweight and middleweight competitors ever to box in the amateur ranks, where he captured every simon-pure tourney that he entered, Charles continued his fine work as a pro after winning all of his 42 amateur fights.

As a professional, Charles scored over such good men as Teddy Yarosz and Charley Burley, drew with Ken Overlin, and flattened the likes of Jose Basora and Anton Christoforidis. His rousing battles in Cleveland with Jimmy Bivins and Lloyd Marshall are still fresh in the memories of Ohio fight followers. All those were thrillers.

While in the army, many rumors to the effect that Charles had kayoed Billy Conn in an exhibition bout in Europe reached this country. Ezzard who had a golden opportunity to cash in on the tales, showed great sportsmanship by refuting all the stories.

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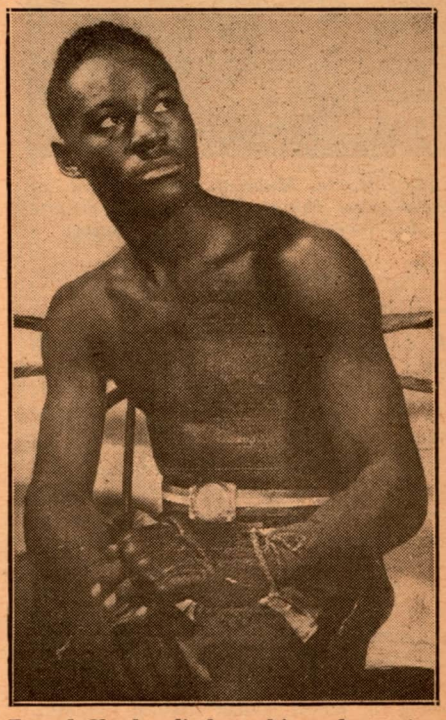
DANNY PEAL

HONORABLY discharged from the army after four years, Danny Peal, like so many other GIs who have returned to professional boxing, is seeking matches with the outstanding heavyweights.

A tall, wiry lad who packs a terrific wallop, the 27-year-old Peal boasts an impressive string of kayoes among the sixty-five opponents he has faced.

Peal is managed by the genial Dr. John S. Riley, a Brooklyn dentist.

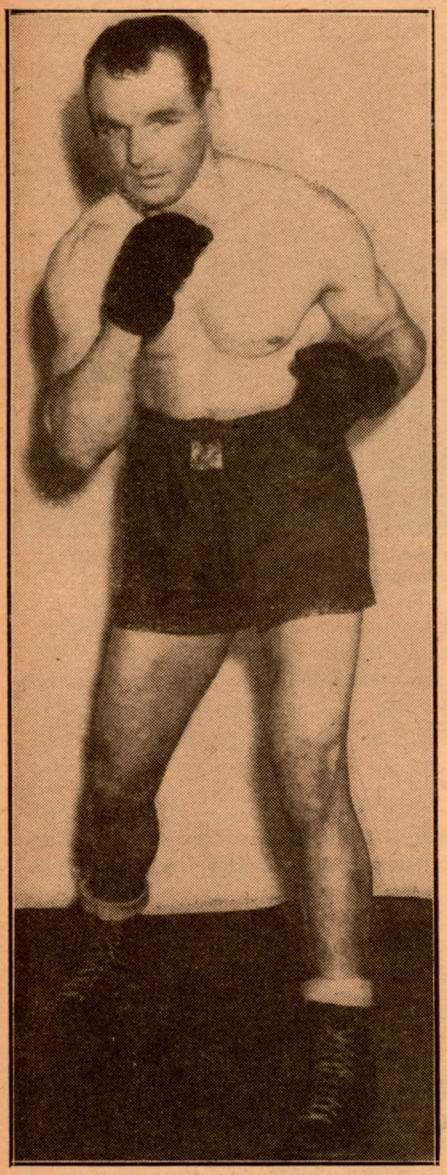
Peal did considerable boxing while a member of the armed forces. He didn't enter any of the special tournaments but was active on most boxing programs and made a creditable showing for his outfit. He is built much along the lines of Ray Robinson but he has broader shoulders and gets considerable of a kick when he tosses his deadly punches with the full weight of his shoulders behind them. He hopes to resume shortly.



Ezzard Charles, discharged from the service, is ready to resume his pro boxing career.

THE CROWD-PLEASERS

By EDDIE MERRILL



Mickey Doyle, Midwest middleweight, of whom great things are expected despite his recent loss to Ruben Shank.

MICKEY DOYLE

THE newest Irish rave is Mickey Doyle, born Michael Patrick Joseph Doyle, just 24 summers back, in County Wexford of the Emerald Isle. Doyle is now the current sensation in Mid-West boxing circles, where he is unbeaten.

Doyle, who had done some amateur boxing in Ireland, decided to forego a mining career for the life of a professional boxer after he had met and beaten Cliff Beckett, claimant of the Canadian middleweight title, in Sudbury, Ontario, on the feature attraction of a smoker arranged by his employers, the Creighton Mining Co. All that Doyle knew of his fellow opponent on that historic night was that he was boxing a fellow miner named Beckett. When the decision was announced at the end of the four round exhibition, and his happy fellow workers disclosed just whom he had beaten, Mickey set his heart on a pro boxing career as the means of providing for his wife, a daughter, aged 4, and son, aged 2½.

Urged by his wife, a rabid fight fan, to try boxing in the States, Doyle soon contacted Promoter Jack Singer in Buffalo. Singer gambled on the unknown Irishman and came up with a real drawing card. His fights have been terrific. Mickey holds decisions over Baby Galento, Jimmy Turner, John Henry King, Johnny Eagles, Harry Gary and Freddy Graham. He won a decision over Harvey Dubs, a fighter who has held his own with Ray Sugar Robinson, Willie Joyce and other top-notchers.

This earned for Doyle a match with the colorful cowboy clouter, Ruben Shank, at Buffalo. Although Doyle was knocked out for the first time in his career, most boxing experts are of the opinion that Mickey is still destined to make the grade.

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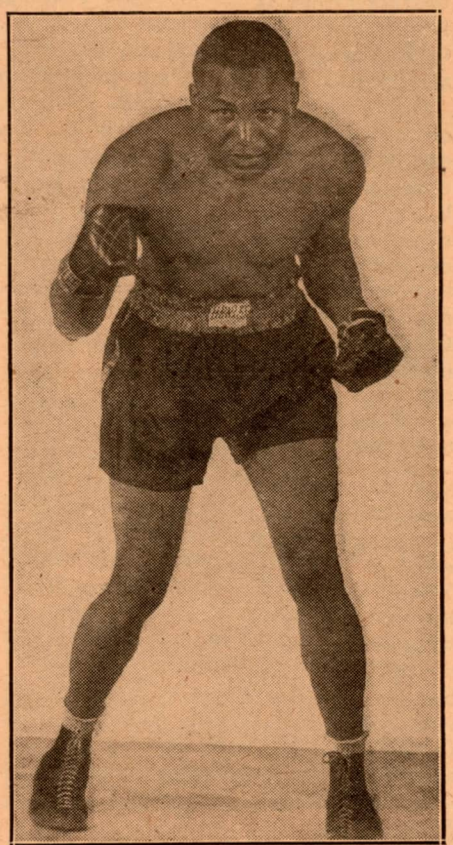
ZACK ROBISON

LEW BURSTON, one of the most colorful and personable managers in boxing, visited THE RING offices to inform the staff that a young light-heavyweight who was doing very well before the war is ready to take on all comers once more.

Zack Robison of Clairton, Pennsylvania, beat some very good fighters like Ossie Harris, Sammy Secreet, Ossie Stewart, Ralph Gizzy, Mose Brown and Ira Hughes.



Zack Robison, Clairton, Pa., middleweight, who has a fine record.

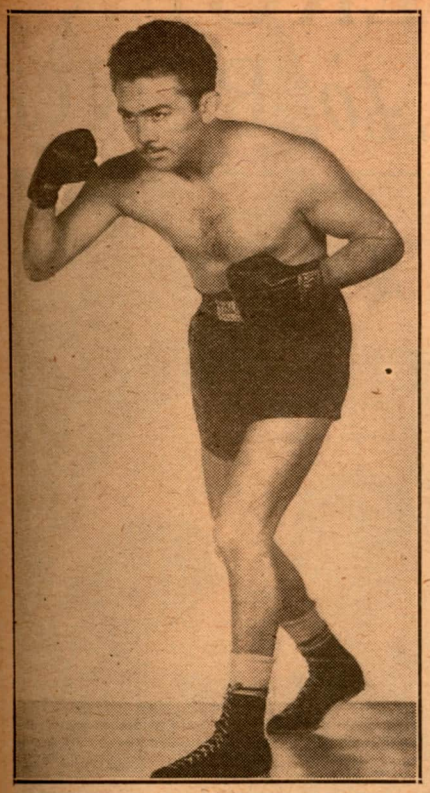
Clever Johnny Bratton of Chicago who has made great showings against many of the leading lightweights.

Burston, a shrewd pilot, who knows all the angles, hastened to Mike Jacobs' office as soon as Zack felt he was ready, and cornered Matchmaker Nat Rogers of the 20th Century S.C., to whom he sang the praises of Robison.

"Get the kid some publicity so the public will know who he is, and then we'll use him," Rogers declared.

Fair enough, Lew thought, and off he hustled in the direction of Stillman's Gym where he knew many of the leading New York newspapermen were garnering copy.

The first scrivener, a nationally known columnist, after listening to Burston extol the wonders of Zack Robison shook his head. "I'd like to give you a column on your Robison," he explained, "but it is hard to write about unknowns. I must talk about fighters in the news. Say, Lew, get your scrapper a fight in Madison Square Garden and I'll be glad to give



Julio Cesar Jiminez, an Irish-Mexican classy performer.

him a plug in my column!"

And so it went with the other scribes. A bit of a merry-go-round, until Burston staggered up to this office with his problem. Zack Robison will probably make the grade if he gets the chance, and THE RING staff hasn't the heart to keep Lew on the run—so here's some publicity on Zack Robison.

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JOHNNY BRATTON

JOHNNY BRATTON is a lean-built eighteen year old kid who weighs 135 pounds. A quiet, unassuming lad, Bratton has engaged in twenty-five pro bouts over a span of two years.

Despite his youth, Johnny can boast of great battles with such ring stalwarts as Chalky Wright, former world's featherweight champion, Cleo Shans, Coast lightweight contender, Patsy Spataro, capable New Yorker, Gene Spencer, Joey Barnum, Dave Castilloux, Canadian welterweight champion, and Ted Christie.

Bratton, a will o' the wisp of the squared circle, is one of the few men ever to floor Chalky Wright. He turned that trick in his recent battle with the ageless Wright at New Orleans, losing an unpopular decision.

Dave Castilloux is another topnotcher to feel the fury of Bratton's fists. Johnny dropped the Cagey Canuck twice in the opening frame of their ten rounder in Milwaukee. Once more Johnny was the victim of an unpopular duke which the fans booed.

While attending DuSable High School, Bratton didn't have any visions of a fight career. He engaged in various intra-mural sports, but took up boxing seriously when he joined the Savoy Athletic Club. In 1944 Johnny annexed the City Golden Gloves featherweight title. During two years of amateur competition, Bratton won 113 contests and lost but 12!

Bratton is managed by Howard Frazier and trained by Larry Amadee.

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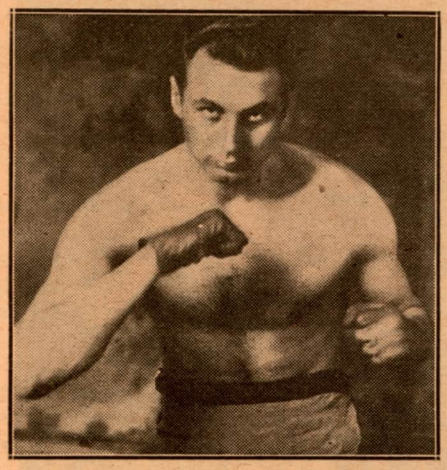
JULIO CESAR JIMINEZ

JULIO CESAR JIMINEZ, crowd pleasing Mexican lightweight, who scored sensationally at Madison Square Garden in his New York debut when he trounced Archie Wilmer on the LaMotta-Bell card, now feels he can lick any man in the world at his weight with the exception of one individual.

The one man he will always fear is Papa Jiminez, who administered to Julio the worst thrashing he has ever received. Born in Merida, Mexico, on April 28, 1922, Jiminez, unlike most Mexican youngsters who are sports minded, did not care for the popular pastime of bullfighting. Instead he yearned for the glory of the roped square.

Merida is a small town which caters to tourists and is famous for its fancy tailoring. Every youngster sooner or later winds up a needle craftsman and this is what Papa Jiminez hoped Julio would do



Australian Jack Allen, a seasoned campaigner, now boxing in the Northwest.

eventually instead of following this "foolish business of boxfighting." Despite his father's objections, Jiminez turned pro when he was twenty and in one of his early fights in Merida, before a packed house of cheering townsfolk, the up and coming lightweight trounced one Juan Rivera in a ten rounder.

Elated, he headed for his dressing room, eager to collect his money and show Papa Jiminez how wrong he was about boxing. Lurking under the grandstand was Julio's father, who was enraged because his son had disobeyed him. Papa grabbed his offspring by the ear, dragged him into a corner, and then proceeded to administer a sound pasting to the pugilistic prospect, which Jiminez recalls as the worst beating he ever took.

Jiminez ran away from home to continue boxing in California. Thus far he has engaged in 28 contests, losing only four. Julio turned in great fights against the classy Jimmy Doyle and Slugger White while on the Coast, and confided to this scribe that his father is now one of his most ardent rooters.

He's part Irish, Jiminez revealed during an interview before a workout in Stillman's Gym. The good looking Mexican speaks no English, but through his pilot, Pancho Rosales, told of his grandfather, Aaron O'Neill, who was a great wrestler in Ireland. The grappler married a Mexican girl and settled in her native land.

Rosales, who trained and managed Kid Azteca and Baby Arizmendi, has high hopes for his classy protege.

Jiminez' hobby is charcoal portrait sketching and cartooning.

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AUSTRALIAN JACK ALLEN

JIM JOHNSTON, popular Vancouver, B. C., fight pilot, is currently singing the praises of Australian Jack Allen, a good middleweight who is now winning regularly in rings around the Northwest Pacific.

"I can't get any of the local middleweights to fight my boy," Johnston complains in a letter to THE RING. "This Aussie is a tough, six foot left hook artist. Allen packs plenty of color."

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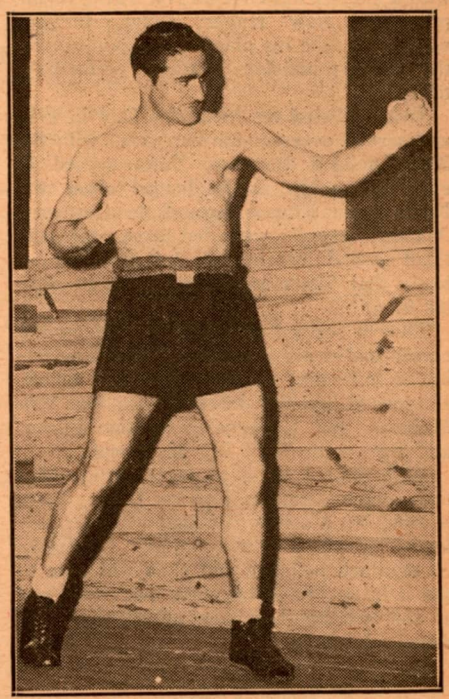
BARTOLO "BILLY" MERLINO

STAFF SERGEANT BARTOLO MERLINO, hailing from Astoria, Long Island, who has been stationed at the Quartermaster School, Camp Lee, Virginia, for the past two years, is returning to civil life.

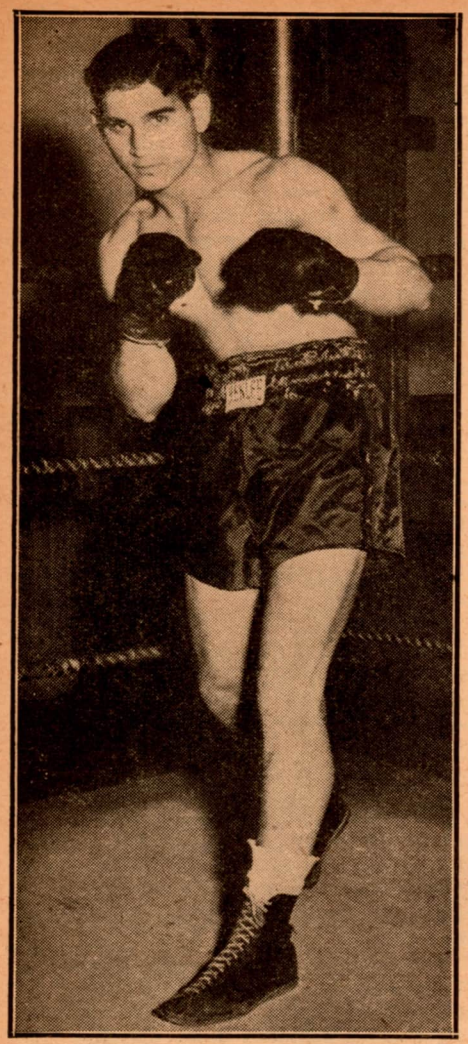
While at the southern camp, Merlino, a light-heavyweight, distinguished himself in the squared circle. Merlino packs a terrific right and a hard left hook.

Billy, as he is more popularly known, expects to begin boxing professionally around New York. While stationed at Camp Lee Merlino was trained and handled by Major E. J. "Cap" Wright, a former army boxer.



Bartolo Merlino, Astoria, L. I., puncher, who showed great promise as a boxer in the Army.

WAR HEROES RETURN *to* RING



Art Tatta, New Haven middleweight, wearer of the Purple Heart, who has resumed his ring career.

ART TATTA

THE same courage and determination which won for him the Silver Star with a Cluster has enabled Art Tatta, thrill-providing New Haven, Conn., middleweight, to take his place once again among the more promising pugilists performing today.

Tatta enlisted on Armistice Day in 1942 and served overseas for two years with the 30th Division Infantry. Tatta served in every campaign as he helped chase the Nazis from France through to Germany. Art was severely wounded three times, the third wound injuring his left shoulder so badly that Tatta was hardly able to raise his arm.

Thus it seemed that a promising boxing career had come to an end. Tatta was unbeaten in sixteen amateur bouts as a welter. He turned pro and defeated men like Van McNutt, Joe Governale, Freddy Flores, and drew with Wild Bill McDowell.

With the aid of his manager, Benny Marino, and his trainer, Frankie Doyle, Tatta worked out a series of calisthenic exercises for his injured arm and shoulder. Gradually he regained mobility and soon was able to use it freely. Tatta began to box again and at this writing has won all three of his comeback starts.

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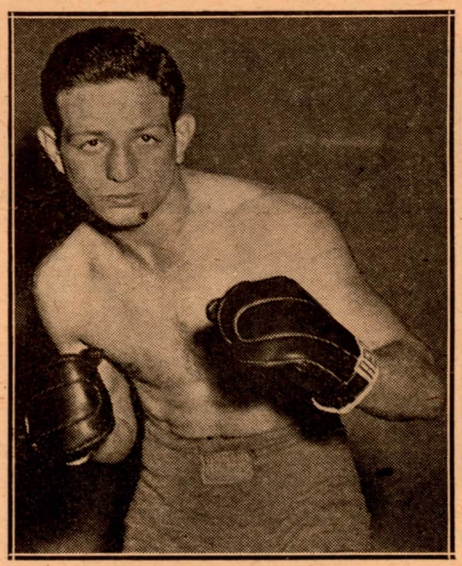
JOEY VAROFF

WHEN Ray Arcel, ace conditioner of fighters, quit the boxing game to become a salesman with a textile firm, he vowed that he would never again devote his whole-hearted interests to the pugilistic sport. Arcel reckoned without the constant magnetic lure of the ring, and also the classy ability of smooth-stepping Joey Varoff, East Side welterweight youngster.

Prior to the war, Varoff engaged in 40 pro bouts as a lightweight under Arcel's personal guidance, losing only one decision to Ernie Petrone, whom he whipped in a return go. Joey defeated Mexican Joey Silva, Patsy Spataro, and drew with Billy Graham before he enlisted in the Coast Guard on December 9, 1942.

Varoff served for three years aboard an LST and took part in the invasions of Leyte, Okinawa and Ie Island. Upon receiving his honorable discharge, the 23-year-old boxer sought out Ray Arcel and induced him to return to boxing and become his manager and trainer.



Joey Varoff, East Side welterweight, back in the boxing game under the personal guidance of Ray Arcel.

Joey is a graduate of Seward Park High School and intends to continue his education, majoring in physical education.

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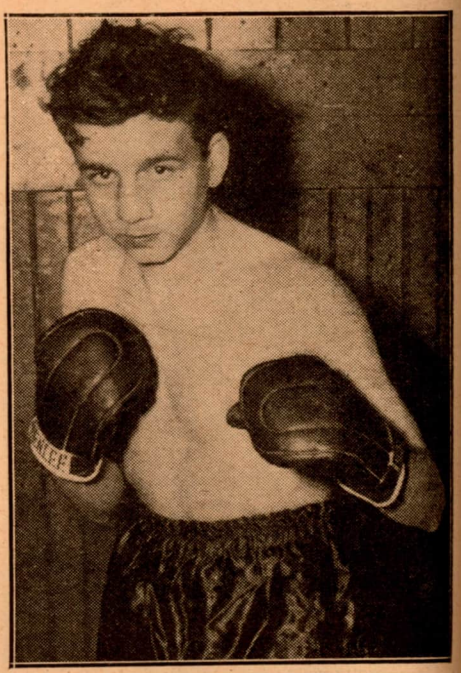
TONY ANTOGNOLI

THE late Hype Igoe, beloved boxing scribe, once visited the old Pioneer Gym, where Fritzie Zivic was training for a welterweight title defense against Henry Armstrong.

While waiting for Zivic to put in an appearance, Igoe observed Petey Scalzo boxing with a youngster who showed plenty of class. When Hype learned that the kid was but sixteen years old, he was astonished. The next morning, Igoe in his daily feature in the New York *Journal-American,* wrote: "I had intended to write about Fritzie Zivic's preparation for his bout with Armstrong, but instead I'm going to tell you all about a little sixteen-year-old kid who has everything it takes to become a champion. His name is Tony Antognoli."



Youthful Tony Antognoli, whom the late Hype Igoe once hailed as a great boxing prospect.

Hype then went into ecstatic raves about the Greenwich Village youngster, who was a product of the Police Athletic League tournaments.

The war interrupted the sparkling future in store for this classy 'teen-aged cherub. Antognoli, who laughingly recalls winning the "paperweight" title in the P.A.L. when he weighed 85 pounds, had five professional bouts as a bantamweight. He won four and drew in his last pre-war punchfest against Pepito Rivera in Madison Square Garden.

While in the Army, Tony served with the 106th Infantry Division and is one of the fortunate survivors of that famed outfit which was virtually wiped out in the Battle of the Bulge. Antognoli earned four battle stars in combat.

Now 21 years old, Antognoli is a husky lightweight who has won his last 3 fights since his return to the ring. Tony is managed by Tex Sullivan, a great fight pilot, who guides the destinies of Lee Oma.

Antognoli is a devoted alumnus of Greenwich House, the famed community center which combats juvenile delinquency. Tony is a constant visitor to the club when he is not in training, and helps to coach the youngsters in athletics. An expert butcher, he hopes to open his own meat, food and produce store when his fighting days are over.

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Nat FLEISCHER says:

Gate Receipts Hit High Mark in Boxing

Promoters Fared Well With Fair Talent

Louis Plans Sizzling Attack Against Conn

NEW YORK was saddened a few weeks ago by the passing of General John J. Phelan, who for many years was a member of the State Athletic Commission and prior to that, was chairman of the License Committee. Just a year before his death, the grand old man of boxing was honored by the sports writers for meritorious and long service.

General Phelan was a staunch disciplinarian and a lovable character. The sport to which he had devoted many years of his life seemed to be out of his sphere. There were many angles which he couldn't grasp and as a result, many errors of judgment were committed during his regime as head of the commission; errors for which he was criticized, but never could it be said of him that despite his shortcomings, he was not as honest as the day is long and that he didn't give the many problems confronting him, his best efforts.

His twelve-year term as head man of the State Board was clean of scandal and during that period he gained the wholehearted respect of promoters, managers, fighters and scribes. He had earned the genuine respect of all hands.

Like the late William Muldoon, Major General Phelan was a foe of the gamblers. He tried his utmost to put them out of boxing. He was equally strict with the offenders within the ranks of the sport itself. Heavy penalties were meted out by him for infractions of the rules, the largest being a $2500 fine to Bummy Davis and a life suspension. Heavy pressure brought the revocation of the suspension but not the fine. That was paid.

It was he who stopped Tex Rickard from placing the Dempsey-Tunney fight in New York by refusing a license to Dempsey. He forced Rickard to take the fight out of New York to Chicago where the fight drew a record gate.

Major General Phelan was a member of the License Committee from 1923 to 1927 when it was abolished by law. In 1933 he succeeded James A. Farley as chairman of the State Commission. He held this post until 1945, when Governor Dewey appointed Lieut. Col. Edward Eagan to the job. A few months later the Governor reappointed Maj. Gen. Phelan to fill out the unexpired term of D. Walker Wear, who had resigned, and Phelan held that post until his death.

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THE report of the Associated Press showing a haul of almost $13,000,000 by boxing shows in the United States for 1945, came close on the heels of the New York State Commission report that $3,969,213.58 had been collected in the territory governed by Governor Dewey.

The Associated Press tabulation didn't go far enough. THE RING figures show almost $16,000,000 for the twelve months period recently ended. This, despite the fact that this tremendous sum was paid at the gates during the final year of a world war and with most of the headliners only of mediocre calibre. It was grossed during a period when youngsters in their teens, boys with little professional experience and many has-beens were making a comeback. Chiefly that type of fighter was the headliner.

Only recently have the big shots in boxing, the standard bearers, come out of their uniforms to resume where they had left off when Uncle Sam called them to arms. Hence this year we may expect even bigger things in boxing—bigger gates, better bouts, more evenly matched talent and championship contests where the year past saw little of this.

The fight game can look forward to a boom-year with the Louis-Conn $3,000,000 battle heading the slate. Since a war year saw a gross of $16,000,000 in this country from boxing shows, the year 1946 should top these figures by $2,000,000 or more.

Boxing has come back with a bang and is now the nation's biggest sports money maker.

In New York State there were 673 shows and the receipts showed an increase of $1,486,533.57 over the gross of the previous year, when only 472 shows were held and they grossed $2,482,679.99. Of course the biggest increase came as a result of the raise in prices for the cards staged by Mike Jacobs at his Garden and St. Nicholas Club affairs. Mike's 42 shows in the Garden, alone, collected a total of $2,263,259. Buffalo with 70 cards for that city, ranked second and White Plains, third.

It was a great year for boxing in New York State, but it will be much greater this year.

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THAT is evident by the hitherto unlisted cities now staging regular shows in localities where the sport was dormant for many years. Two of the places named in a report a few weeks ago were absolutely new to boxing. In New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine, the northeastern New England states, the sport is now going full blast where in pre-war and war days, it was news when two shows were held in any one month in the three states combined.

In the State of Washington, where Joe Kahut and Jack Fox are the idols, the latter a few weeks ago finally announced his retirement, many new clubs in obscure cities have opened their doors to boxing and are playing to full houses, though the seating capacity in those places often is less than 1500.

It is not so much the gate receipts that count in the news of the month as it is the fact that the prejudice against the sport has been lifted in every part of the country and open-minded folks have come to the conclusion that boxing is deserving of the same consideration given to football, baseball, track and field, hockey, golf and tennis—the major forms of athletics in American life. Particularly interesting to me is the news from the Mid-west that boxing will henceforth be permitted in high schools where hitherto it was banned.

Considering the large number of former high school boxers who have made the grade, I don't think that a mistake has been made by the educational directors who have finally come to the conclusion that boxing is a good, healthy, virile sport that with proper guidance by physical instruction directors, may be carried on without danger to the boys under their tutelage. Only a small faction of educators continue to oppose boxing. See my article in this issue—"In Defense of Boxing." Since the various branches of our armed forces are still engaged in taking the American youth, and since boxing is one of the chief forms of recreation in the services and is a "must" in several branches, our educators in localities where the sport is still taboo would do well to prepare the boys in their care for the strenuous life they must lead when they are called to the colors.

The recent announcement from Baton Rouge that the Southern Conference may soon lift the ban and place the sport back on its championship calendar is welcome news. Louisiana State, which has resumed boxing, for many years boasted some of the best college talent in America and an indication of the value

of the training these collegians had, may be gleaned from the fact that the lads carried on in the World War with the same fiery spirit they displayed in the ring, and many were highly honored for their courage on the battlefields. The Army and Navy recognized the value of boxing during the last war as a fine physical conditioner and a morale and character building sport in addition to its high value as a recreation stimulant.

The recent action of the National Collegiate Athletic Association in modifying its restrictions for college competition meets with popular approval. Hitherto, a high school lad who competed in Golden Gloves, C.Y.O. or A.A.U. boxing tournaments and had reached the age of sixteen, could not participate in college tournaments when he entered the higher institution of learning. Now the age limit has been raised to eighteen so that more good high school prospects will be admitted to college meets and better and more thrilling competition will result under the new N.C.A.A. ruling. Thousands of youngsters will benefit by this change and take up boxing.

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BOXING will receive its greatest impetus since the entry of the Americans into the World War when Joe Louis and Billy Conn clash in their return engagement at the Yankee Stadium on June 19. The new Golden Era of sports will then get under way. Never in the history of the sport did a promoter receive so many calls for reservations for a sports event in which the training camp activities wouldn't get under way for three months, as did Mike Jacobs for this bout. As early as January 18, the day after Mike announced that he would stage the extravaganza at the Yankee Stadium, he had in his safe more than 12,000 advance orders, one of which was from a national manufacturing firm asking for 420 ringside seats, regardless of the price.

Amazing, what interest there is in this fight!

The difficulty confronting Jacobs now is how to take care of the thousands who want nothing but the ringside accommodations. With the increased seating capacity to 100,000, Uncle Mike will be in a position to add many rows of the top priced seats to what he previously has been accustomed to sell, but he will have no trouble selling those regardless of location. Every dyed-in-the-wool fight fan from every nook and corner of the country, seems to be eager to be in on the ground floor for this contest.

Interest is at high pitch and will remain that way until the final gong sounds. The condition of the contestants will make no difference to the gate. It will be the fistic attraction of the year and as such, will command world-wide attention and will gross close to $3,000,000. That's my prediction.

Whether the contest will be a dismal dud or will crash into the archives of Fistiana as one of the greatest heavyweight bouts of all time, remains to be seen. Suffice it to say, however, the public will pay a record sum to see it, no matter what the ultimate result.

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SINCE the date and place were made known to the public, many letters have been received by THE RING Editor, most of them from service men in far off lands, requesting information on the tally sheet of the last Conn-Louis battle. The opinion seems to prevail by most fistic followers that Conn was far ahead on points and would have had an easy time of it had he continued to box Louis instead of engaging him in a mix-up.

While it is true that the officials had Conn out in front, Referee Eddie Josephs, 7 to 5; Judge Monroe, seven rounds for Conn, four for Joe and one even and Judge Healey, six rounds for each, and that had Conn held the Brown Bomber even for the last two rounds he would have won, according to the system of scoring in New York, the fact remains that the bout was much closer than those tallies show and if points instead of rounds were used in the scoring Louis would have been in the lead.

During my visits to 168 army camps and hospitals with the Conn-Louis fight pictures, I was amazed at the number of service men who questioned the vote of the officials in Conn's favor after seeing the contest on the screen. The pictures distinctly show Louis out in the lead. His body punishment was effective and with the exception of four rounds, in which Conn had a decided advantage, Louis, at least in the pictures, had an apparent lead in six rounds with the two pretty close for an even break.

Had the bout gone the limit, and had Louis been able to continue the spurt he started in the thirteenth round, he would have gained the final two sessions and would have been returned the winner. The chances are that had Conn not been knocked out in the thirteenth, the punishment he received in that canto would have prevented him from piling up enough points to win the final rounds.

In that case the scores would have been: Referee Josephs, eight to seven for Louis; Judge Healy, eight to six for Joe, and Judge Monroe, seven for each with one even. Thus Louis would have won under the New York system of scoring by a slight margin. Had Louis not followed the style best suited for Billy the Kid, boxing, instead of fighting him, he probably would have fared better than he did. The bout might not have gone into thirteen rounds.

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IT TOOK Jess Willard many years to "discover" that Jack Dempsey had a layer of concrete on his hands! That report of concrete bandages has been heard before, but not until Big Jess returned from his U.S.O. overseas trips, did he ever make any statement about it.

Pity that he did, because it doesn't gain him anything! Those who saw Jess take an unmerciful punishment at the hands of Dempsey, as I did, know there is no truth in the charge. I watched Jack in his dressing room and saw him immediately after he had returned from the ring and I can vouch for the truth of Dempsey's statement that he had no outside help in subduing Jess.

Dempsey had the good fortune to be managed by a shrewd man, Jack Kearns, who aided the Manassa Mauler in bandaging his hands so cleverly that when the job was completed Dempsey's hitting power was doubled because of the tautness of those bandages. That's what did the trick, Mr. Willard, not a plaster of Paris cast!

When the men got into action in a frightful heat of almost 120 degrees, the moisture absorbed by those bandages, hardened them to such extent that Dempsey found great difficult in removing them after the slaughter. Jack didn't need any plaster of Paris to help him. Nature did the trick that day, Jess.

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SPEAKING of hitting power, Joe Louis, in an interview in Atlanta, Ga., declared that since Billy Conn is Joe's superior as a boxer but his inferior as a hitter, the easiest way to make certain of victory next June will be for Joe to go out fighting from the clang of the gong.

"I learned my lesson in our last fight," said Joe. "This time I'll make sure of an early victory by following the plan I had for the second fight with Schmeling. I'll charge into Billy and toss everything I have right from the start. I'll cut loose with punches that will end the fight in a hurry, with me the winner by a knockout."

That, it seems to me, will be Joe's procedure—quick action. He cannot afford to take the chances he did in their last engagement. I predict that Joe will be sent after his prey with instructions to mix it with the Pittsburgh Kid in an effort to get the young Irishman's nanny and if he succeeds, victory will be assured Joe in the early rounds. If Billy goes the limit this time he will win on points. But I don't think he will.

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FRITZIE ZIVIC, entering his sixteenth year as a pro boxer, intends to turn teacher and take youngsters from 7 to 14 years in tow as his pupils. In an ad inserted in a Pittsburgh paper, Fritzie urges youngsters to join his class to learn the rudiments of boxing, not with the idea of becoming a money chasing pug, but to build up the body and to learn the art of self-defense for protective measures.

There seems to be no limit to the number of business ventures into which Zivic enters. He is a real estate operator, boxing pro-

moter, manager, teacher, salesman and fighter. He owns a beautiful home, has a huge sum stowed away for his family, has an annuity, owns valuable property in Pittsburgh and is interested in civic affairs, especially those pertaining to the youth.

He is a unique character in the history of American pugilism. He and his three brothers have fought more than 600 battles. Pete owns a tavern in Pittsburgh. He engaged in 151 bouts over a stretch of 11 years. Jack fought 132 bouts in 10 years. Eddie had 85 engagements in nine years and Fritzie has fought more than 200 times in 16 years. A great crowd pleaser, Zivic has always been a gate magnet.

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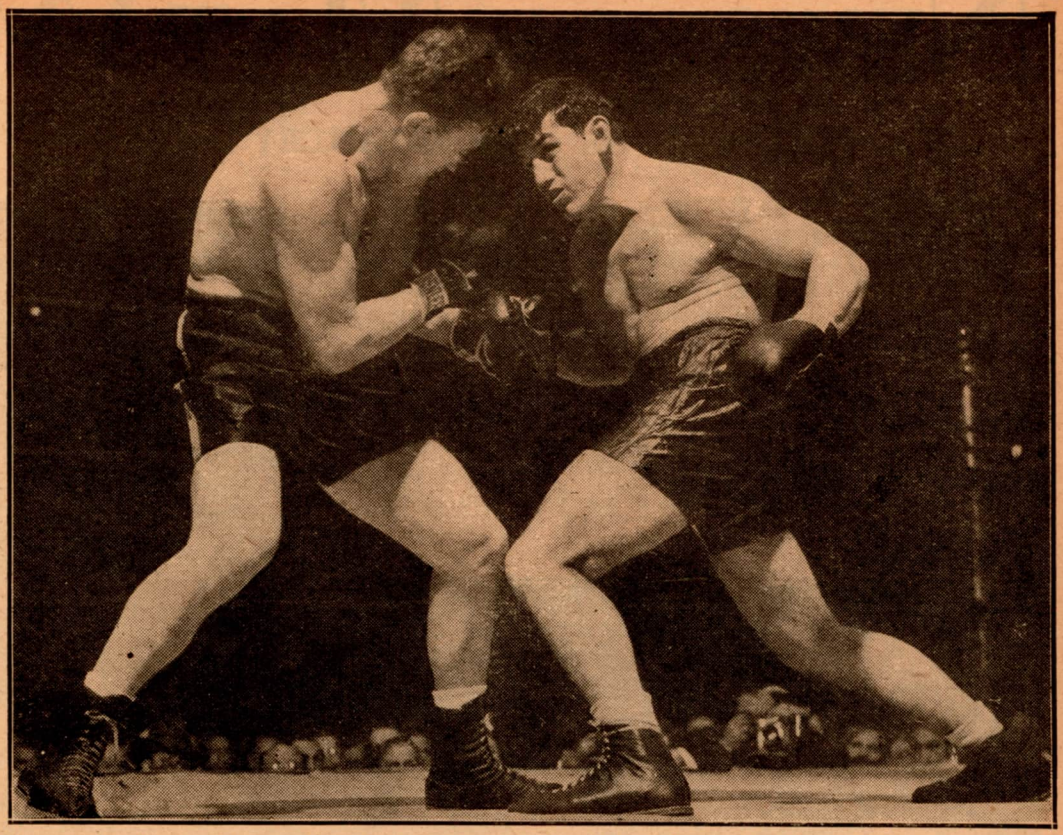
TWO former champions figured in the news of the month since last we went to press—Fred Apostoli and Al Hostak, the former recently discharged from the navy and Hostak due for discharge in two months. Both gave splendid accounts of themselves in the battle for world freedom.



A scene in the seventh round of the bout between Joe Baksi (left) and Freddie Schott in Madison Square Garden. Freddie suffered his first defeat in thirty-seven fights.

Fred, now a referee in California, says he is undecided about the future. He cannot make up his mind what to do now that he has retired from the fight game as a glove wielder, but one thing he is certain of, that he is very eager to continue in the role of a California referee. Like Max Baer and Jack Dempsey, Fred has put aside an annuity and he will have a substantial income for the rest of his life. They'll never have to run a benefit for the former middleweight star, that much is assured.

Hostak, in Honolulu, on his way home from the South Pacific, unlike Apostoli, is preparing for a return to the ring. Al thinks he still has two years of good fighting in his system and intends to seek a title match.

"I would like to wear that crown again," says Hostak, "and I'm certain that I can regain it. I am in splendid condition due to a strenuous army career and I know I can make the grade again."

Hostak is likely to learn as did Apostoli, that though the spirit is there the fire of the youth is gone and try as he may, he'll never be able to reach the heights he did when he was in his prime. Many others have tried what Hostak intends to do, but soon learned it was a hopeless task and gave up. Apostoli and Ken Overlin, two former champs, were among them.

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ONE of the few service men who received exceptionally high praise as a prospect in post-war boxing was Johnny Ebarb, an outstanding member of the E.T.O. fighting team in England. Johnny did so well overseas, that every scribe who reported army boxing sang his praises. He was one man upon whom all had counted to bring the service into the spotlight, but to date he has been a keen disappointment.

The San Leandro, California, heavyweight is going nowhere. He has displayed in professional boxing on the Coast little of the fighting qualities he has exhibited before the GI's abroad. He has taken so many beatings that his friends have urged him to quit the ring.

Johnny is just another of the many former GI champs who have learned that fighting as a pro is far different from soldier fighting. Those who so far have made good and of whom much is expected, are middleweights Howie Brodt and Laverne Roach of the Marines, Lieut. Bob Boucher of the Air Force, heavyweights Harold Raskin of Chicago, Jackie Crawford of the Navy and Al Hoosman of California. At this writing they are the outstanding figures. We may yet see one of the ex-service men rise to the top of the ladder, but only a handful of the thousands who won fame as GI ringmen are likely to reach the big money class in professional pugilism.

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SOMETHING happened in the recent Beau Jack-Johnny Greco fight in Madison Square Garden that required a lot of explaining yet no definite decision was reached and the bout went into the boxing archives as just another of many unsatisfactory contests that have brought about loose talk. The Georgia Negro, who usually is one of the most active pugilists in captivity, spent all his energy in the first five rounds and thereafter gave a performance that would have done justice to an ordinary novice.

Greco was equally bad. He, like Beau, failed in his obligation to the 18,941 fight fans who had paid $148,752 to see a real scrap but left the Garden arena with a sour taste. The draw verdict was a just one. My card showed each fighter with four rounds to his credit and two even, but on my point tally sheet, I had Beau Jack ahead by one point.

It seems to me that when two men get into a ring and the public pays $20 for a ringside seat, the fighters should give more consideration to those who pay the freight. They owe it to the fans to exhibit their best. Lame excuses of having overtrained or injured a hand should not be accepted by the public, promoter, or the boxing commission. Greco declared after the bout that he had injured his hand, yet reports of such an injury had been travelling along Jacobs' Beach for several days prior to the bout.

One more proof that what the New York Boxing Commission needs is a special supervisor at Stillman's Gym to oversee the work of the rivals in an important match such as the above.

NEWS *of the* MAT WORLD

By "STANLEY"

"JUMPING" JOE SAVOLDI, one time Notre Dame football great and former world's heavyweight wrestling champion, has turned his attention to promoting in his home town of Chicago. If the master of the "drop kick" can instil some of his showmanship ability to his performers, we can't see how he can miss.

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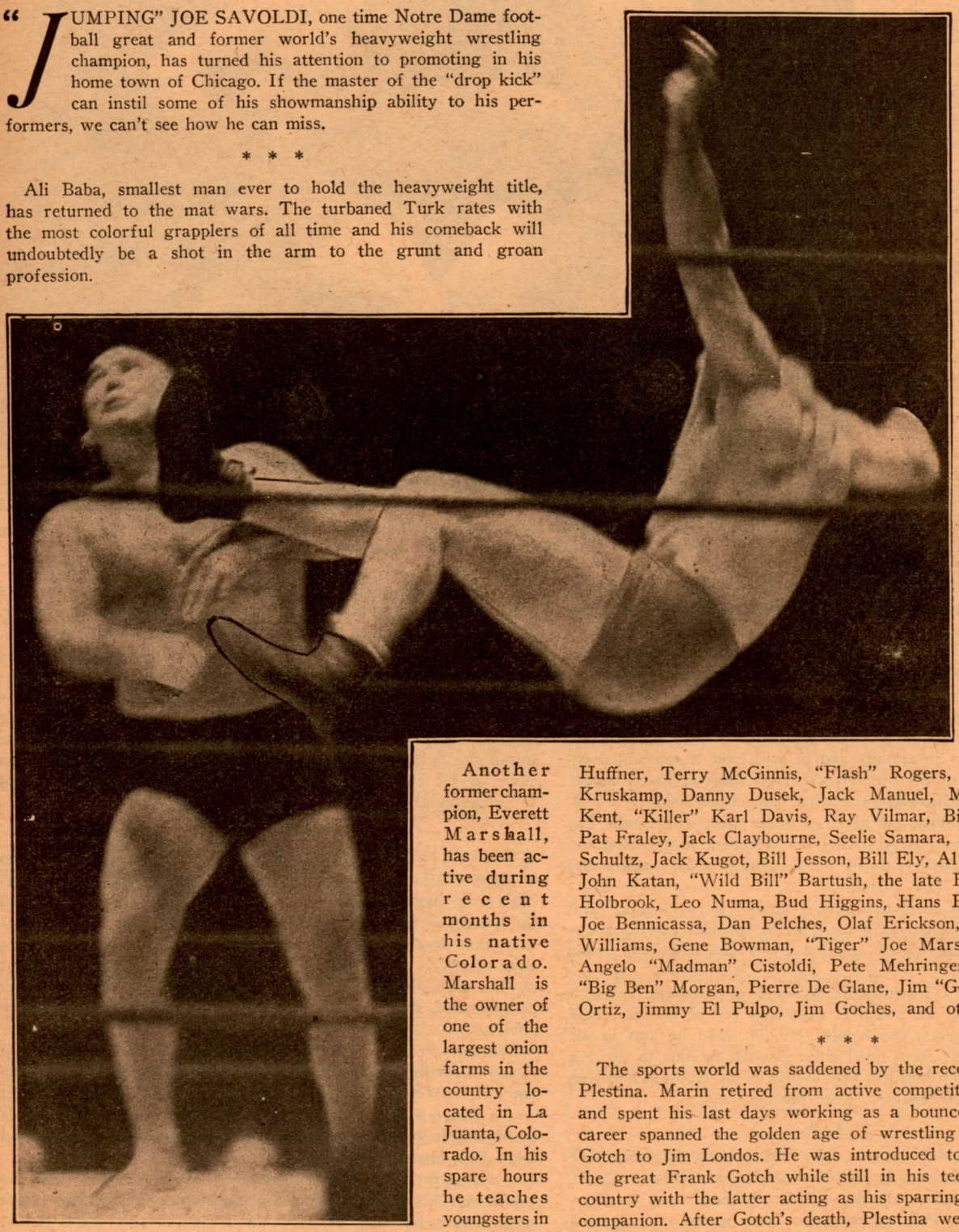
Ali Baba, smallest man ever to hold the heavyweight title, has returned to the mat wars. The turbaned Turk rates with the most colorful grapplers of all time and his comeback will undoubtedly be a shot in the arm to the grunt and groan profession.



Jumping Joe Savoldi, now promoting in Chicago, using his famous "drop kick" on the chin of Strangler Lewis.

Another former champion, Everett Marshall, has been active during recent months in his native Colorado. Marshall is the owner of one of the largest onion farms in the country located in La Juanta, Colorado. In his spare hours he teaches youngsters in his neighborhood physical fitness. George Zaharias is promoting the shows in Denver's Mamouth Gardens with great success. Marshall is headlining the cards against some of the finest talent imported from all parts of the country. Rocky Mountain sports fans have taken to wrestling as a duck takes to water. The combination of Marshall and Zaharias have made Denver one of the big cities on the nation's wrestling circuit.

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Bronko Nagurski has turned down a lucrative offer from the Chicago Bears to turn his full attention to wrestling. "The Bronk" is performing around San Francisco where Joe Malcewicz is doing the promoting. Joe has a great list of grunters under his direction including Dean Detton, Steve Casey, Sammy Stein, Earl McCready, Abie Coleman, Babe Sharkey, Sandor Szabo, Willie Davis, George Koverly, Lopez, Dutch Huffner, Terry McGinnis, "Flash" Rogers, Tom Rice, Hardy Kruskamp, Danny Dusek, Jack Manuel, Myron Cox, Harry Kent, "Killer" Karl Davis, Ray Vilmar, Bill Hanson, "Irish" Pat Fraley, Jack Claybourne, Seelie Samara, Mickey Gold, Hans Schultz, Jack Kugot, Bill Jesson, Bill Ely, Al Wolfe, Ray Steele, John Katan, "Wild Bill" Bartush, the late Bronco Valdez, Vic Holbrook, Leo Numa, Bud Higgins, Hans Busing, Al Galento, Joe Bennicassa, Dan Pelches, Olaf Erickson, Joe Campbell, Cy Williams, Gene Bowman, "Tiger" Joe Marsh, Chief Chewaki, Angelo "Madman" Cistoldi, Pete Mehringer, Kay Bell, Ezra "Big Ben" Morgan, Pierre De Glane, Jim "Goon" Henry, Carlos Ortiz, Jimmy El Pulpo, Jim Goches, and others.

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The sports world was saddened by the recent death of Marin Plestina. Marin retired from active competition five years ago and spent his last days working as a bouncer in Chicago. His career spanned the golden age of wrestling from the days of Gotch to Jim Londos. He was introduced to the mat sport by the great Frank Gotch while still in his teens. He toured the country with the latter acting as his sparring partner and close companion. After Gotch's death, Plestina went out on his own and between 1917 and 1920 was unbeatable. He remained among the world's best wrestlers for the next twenty years. Always a credit to the athletic world Marin Plestina will be missed by us all.

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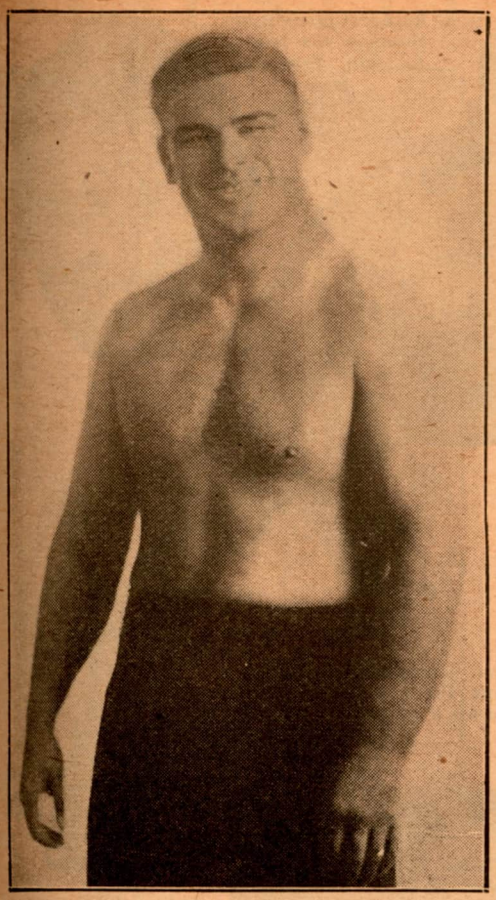
Although wrestling has been kicked around for the past decade, attendance figures released recently point to a speedy revival of the sport. During the year 1945 ten million fans attended wrestling matches throughout the country. With the cream of the talent be-



Marin Plestina, whose recent death saddened the sporting world.

ing released from the service a boom year is expected during 1946. The boys returning from the wars have picked up new methods and tactics of pleasing their fans from their travels around the world. Some were members of the Rangers and Commandos and they are applying some of their killer-like methods in the ring.

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Ali Baba made a hit in the first of the elimination bouts in the tournament being conducted in the mid-west when he defeated Chuck Ross, former Oklahoma A and M grappler. Babe Sharkey and Frank Sexton are in the tourney. Ross is a towering six foot 8 inch matman who scales 265 pounds.

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Competing regularly in the middle western clubs are, among others, Jim Wallace, Bill Beard, Ed Michaels, Jim Austiere, Karol Krauser, Gino Garibaldi, Harry Funklestein, Chuck Ross, Andy Filosam, Tom Mahoney and George Marciostas.

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Henri De Glane, former world heavyweight champion, is back in harness and is packing them in wherever he wrestles. Henri was a member of the French Underground during the war and did a noble job. He returned from France only a few weeks ago and is now competing, as in pre-war days, in New England under the Paul Bowser banner. Fast on his feet and a smooth worker, Henri is a most pleasing performer and is well liked by the spectators.

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Ed Don George has returned to the wrestling game, but not as a grappler. Instead he has turned referee and is doing a swell job. During the war George was an officer in the Navy and had charge of training his men in judo and jiu jitsu. He was a master of commando tactics.

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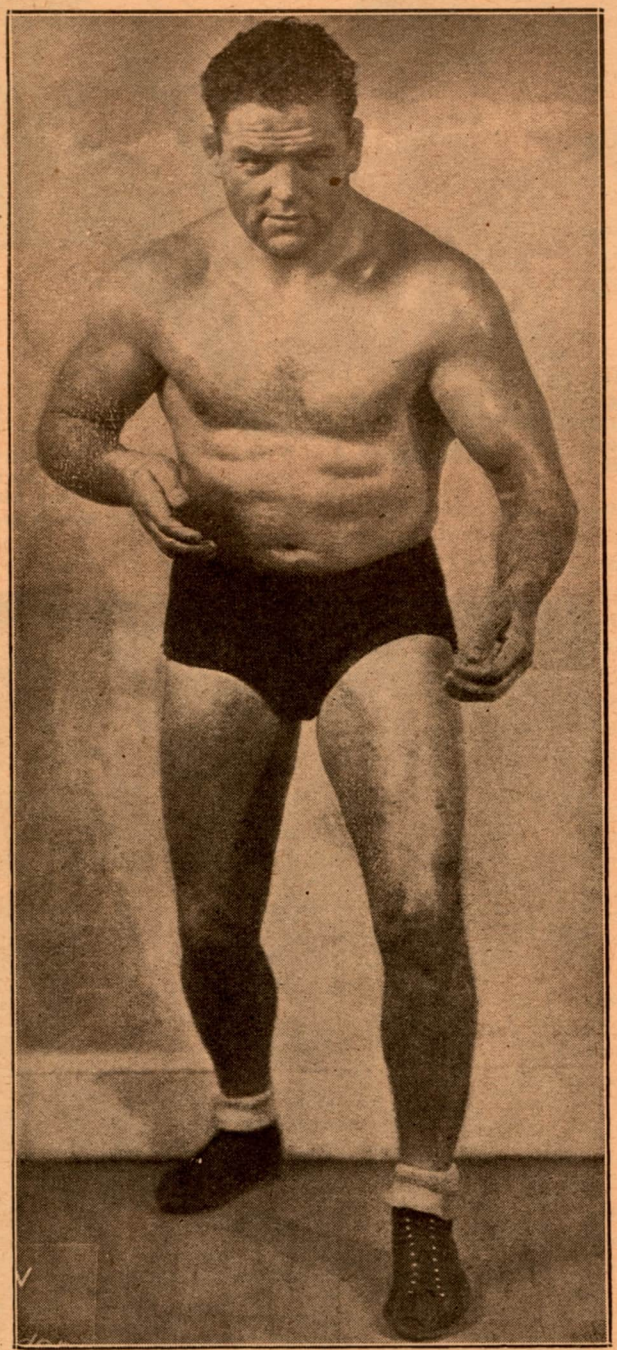
Frank Judson, former Harvard instructor, is a regular performer in Eastern mat matches.



Dean Detton, now wrestling on Joe Malcewicz's shows in Frisco.

Walter Sirois is a Canadian heavyweight of exceptional promise.

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ROY DUNN, former Olympic heavyweight wrestling champion, is one of the outstanding grapplers in the mid-west. Youngsters of Dunn's caliber are what the sport sorely needs to bring it back to its old high level.

Leonard Levy, the 245-lb. Hebrew giant, another former amateur champion, has been doing well on the Pacific Coast where he is a good drawing card. Leonard is undefeated both as an amateur and as a professional. A former Minnesota football star, Levy is a well-trained, powerful youngster, who in addition to his wrestling activities, also plays professional football for the Cleveland Rams.

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Adam Horoschak, Connecticut wrestler in the lighter divisions, has retired from the mat wars and is turning his attention to promoting in his native New England. Adam has been an active competitor for the past 21 years. He has engaged in over 300 matches. He served two and one half years in the service as a wrestling and judo instructor and he did a grand job. His knowledge of the sport should help him go a long way in his new venture.

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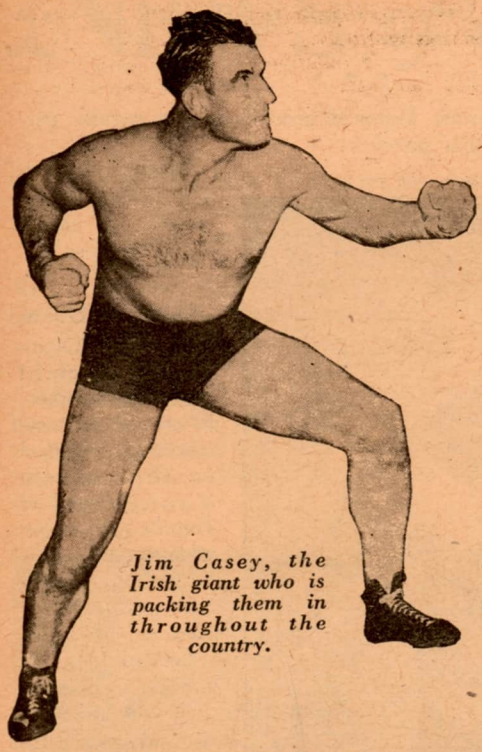
Many letters have been received from RING readers voicing their approval about the return of wrestling news to its pages. It is the desire of the Editor to bring the readers what they want. Any news of the mat world that you think will prove of interest to other wrestling fans, will be welcomed. Pictures of newcomers in particular, is what we will welcome with biographical sketches.



Jim Casey, the Irish giant who is packing them in throughout the country.

Earl McCready now showing his talent to San Francisco fans.

Ali Baba, former heavyweight crown wearer now hitting the comeback trail. Ali is always good for a rip roaring show.

Wrestling in New York under the Dusek clan has picked up considerably. Whereas in the years previous to the war, clubs were finding the going pretty tough, today, well-filled houses greet the cards arranged by the colorful Rudy. He knows what the fans want and he sees to it that they get it.

The Dusek boys are among the nation's most active and colorful wrestlers. Their showmanship is unequalled and that's why they are favorites.

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Jesse James is back in the mat sport and doing well. He is back in the East where he is well-liked by the mat fans. His personality and his physique—he is a handsomely built fellow, is what get him so much support.

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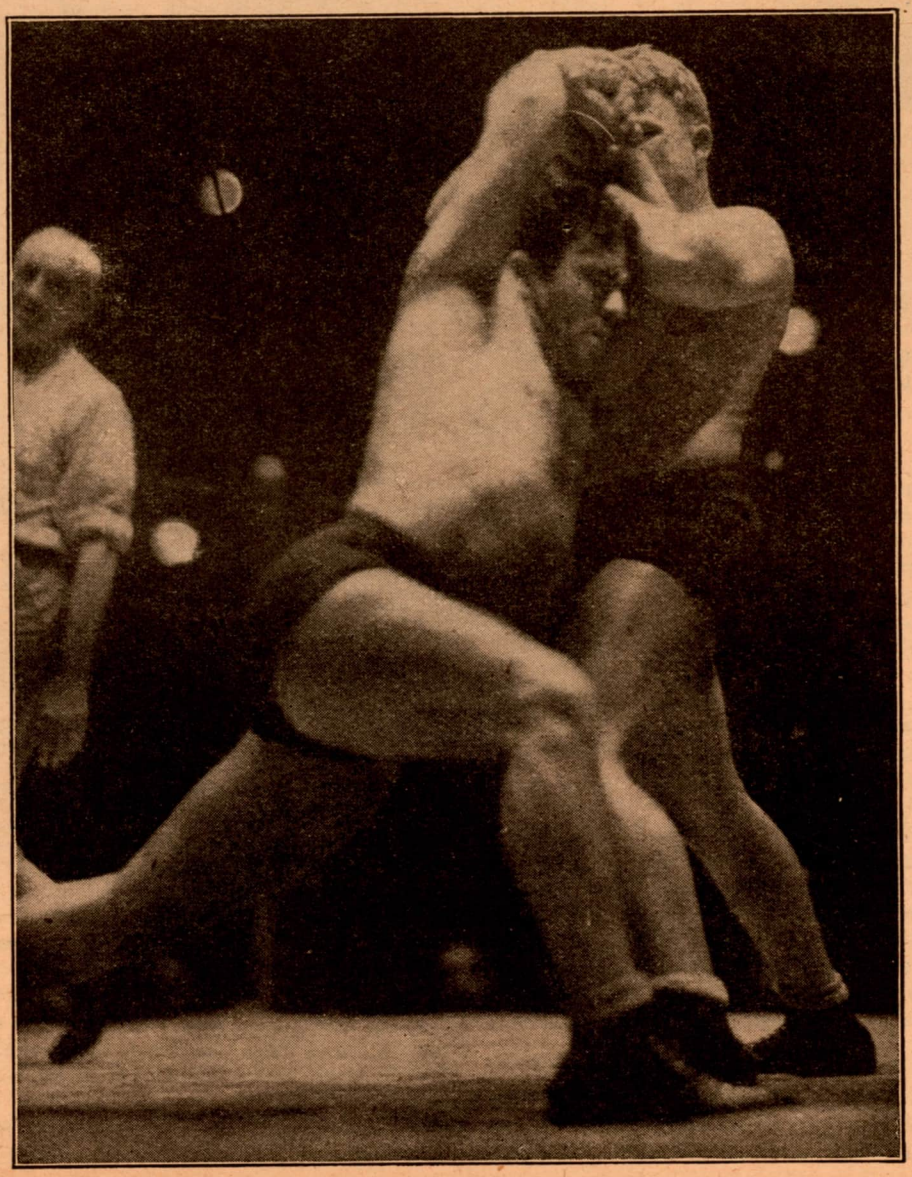
Ernie Piluso is the new claimant to the American light-heavyweight title. He is a Westerner with a good record. One of his strongest challengers is George Dusette and another is McShain.



Henry Irslinger, famous professional wrestler, who has been living in South Africa for many years, wrote that he has a heavyweight grappler who will make his appearance in the United States as soon as transportation can be arranged. The boy is Willie Liebenberg, who held the South African championship and only recently turned professional. Irslinger will accompany him here.

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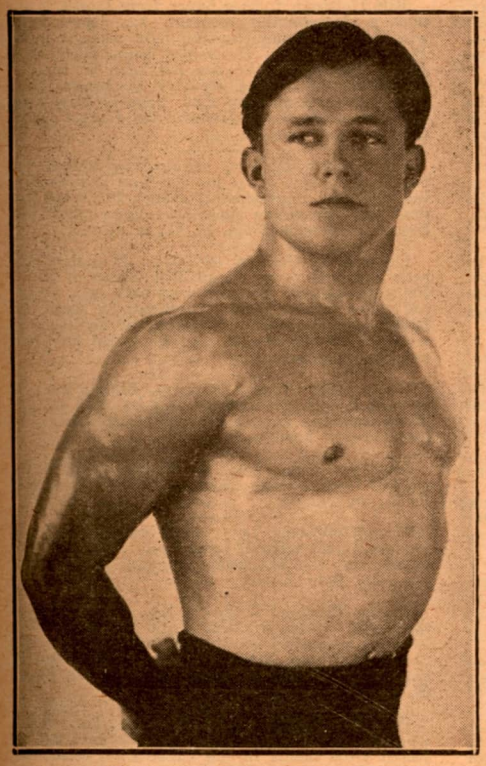
Leonard Butch Levy, who is a Chief Specialist in the U.S. Navy, has issued a challenge to the pros of California.

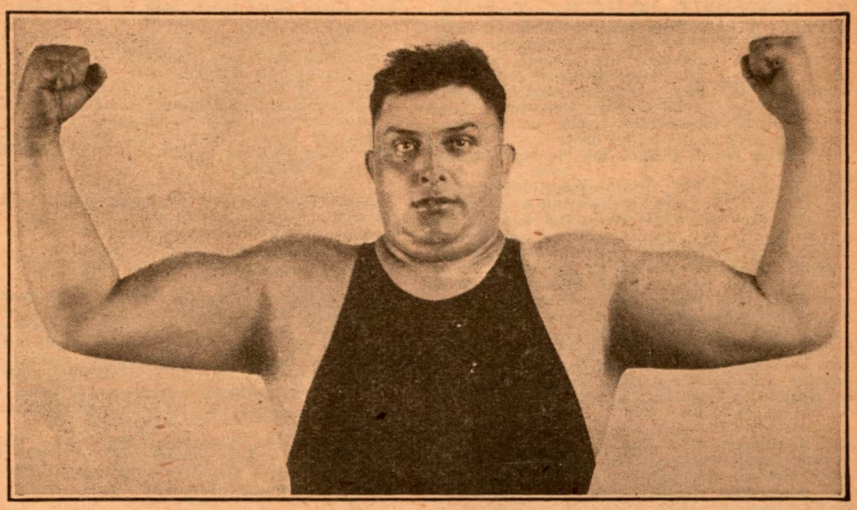
Everett Marshall, former heavyweight king now wrestling in his native Colorado, shown here with an arm lock on Jim Londos.

WRESTLING'S COMEBACK

By THE MATMAN



George Becker, clever eastern wrestler.



Big Chief Saunooke, 6 foot 6 inch Indian, who is a good card around the east.

WRESTLING'S professional armies have reached their full quota and from now on fans all over the country, and especially in the east, will be able to see in action all their old favorites as well as the new sensations.

Among the gripsters now making the headlines are Chief Saunooke, or Sunooke, as he is known to the grappling enthusiasts, Georgie Becker, Frank Valois, Don Evans, George Lenihan and Ed "Strangler" White, not to be confused with Tarzan White. Paul Boesch has been released from the army after having served with distinction and was decorated on several battle fronts. He was wounded on three different occasions, but is now back in his favorite pastime—wrestling.

A few other well-established stars are still with the armed forces, but it is almost certain that all, or virtually all, will have returned to the ring before the end of the present season.

We would like to tell you something about all of them, but we haven't the space to do so. We shall therefore confine ourselves to short sketches on the lives and doings of Saunooke, Becker and Valois.

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CHIEF SAUNOOKE is one of the few celebrated Indians on the mat who are real redskins. Born at Cherokee, N. C., 38 years ago, he spent his entire youth on that well-known Indian reservation. He attended grammar and high school there and was later admitted to Haskell Institute, at Lawrence, Kansas, where he starred at tackle on the great teams of 1924, 1925 and 1926 on which John Levi, of All-American fame, played fullback.

After leaving college he made the acquaintance of Charley Cutler, former world's mat champion, who advised him, on account of his physique—he was already a giant of more than 300 pounds—to take up wrestling as a career. That was in 1928 and by 1931 he was already one of the greatest amateur wrestlers in the country. He continued his amateur career under the tutelage of Cutler through the years 1933 and 1934 in which he reached the National A.A.U. finals. During the same years he had also won the Central A.A.U. and other titles in Chicago and he decided that the time had come for him to try out his luck as a pro.

He made his debut in 1935 at Memorial Hall, Kansas City, Kansas, against an obscure antagonist whom he defeated with ridiculous ease. He later met more formidable opponents and won a great majority of his bouts. During his first years in the ring he wrestled them all, champions and former champions. He defeated, among others, Ed "Strangler" Lewis, Man Mountain Dean, Tor Johnson and Harry Jacobs. In 1937 he won the super-heavyweight title at the Boston Garden in a match with Tor Johnson.

In his 10 years as a pro he has never been defeated by a man weighing over 300 pounds. He is a giant among giants, standing 6 feet, 4½ inches and weighing 340 pounds. His best hold is a half nelson, crotch and body slam.

He comes from a family of athletes, his brother Anderson having starred at center field for the Baltimore Orioles and his brother Ed having pitched for many years for the Asheville, N. C., team. Another brother was a gridiron star at Tusculum College and a sister became a great basketball player.

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BECKER is better known to eastern fans than Saunooke. The Brooklyn ace, who won the world's junior heavyweight wrestling title at New Orleans, La., in 1941 and still holds it, has been thrilling his admirers for years with his feats. He only weighs about 210 pounds, but he has often conquered men twice his weight. This season he has been especially successful and has been featured in the biggest arenas of this country and Canada.

During the war he did his bit as a defense worker in an ammunition factory and for a time he suspended his grappling activities. Now, at the age of 29, he is going at full speed again and expects to go through the season undefeated.

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VALOIS is a newcomer to the east. He did appear once or twice in Boston a few years back, but only in preliminary bouts. This year, however, he has developed into a headliner and it looks as though he is going to equal or surpass the feats of Yvon Robert and Larry Moquin, two other celebrated French-Canadians.

Born in Montreal 23 years ago, he started wrestling at the age of 15 and in 1940 he won the Canadian amateur title at Montreal. The same year, at the age of 18, he made his triumphal debut as a pro at the Forum in Montreal against Jim Wallis. Later he conquered more formidable opponents and was able to hold Yvon Robert even in a two-hour bout.

Valois stands 6 feet, 2 inches and weighs 230 pounds. He is strictly a scientific gripster and relies upon speed, agility and aggressiveness to win his bouts. Now that he has had a taste of grappling in this country, he expects to do well here.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By TOM EPHREM

MIDDLEWEIGHT JOHNNY TAYLOR, Dixie's newest fistic rage, who comes from Asheville, N. C., continued his rampage along the fight front, achieving his seventh straight knockout triumph by flattening Guy Brown of Belmont, N. C. The bout, scheduled for ten rounds, took place in the winner's home town. Two fast left hooks found their mark on Brown's button after 2:42 of the initial heat.

This Taylor boy is headed for the big time, if properly cared for.

Babe Saunders, 158, of Hendersonville, made Buddy Cassidy, 156, quit in the sixth of a scheduled eight-round semi-final. The scrap was a slugfest from the first bell. Cassidy suffered a completely closed left eye, and his mouth was also badly cut, so he refused to come up for the sixth.

The six-rounder between Early Hamilton, 149½, Mount Holly, and Buddy (Beau Brummel) Best, 156¼, Wilmington, was the best fight on the card. Hamilton lost the nod, but not before he gave Best a tough tussle. Mark Reed, 148, a Cherokee Indian lad from Asheville, was the winner of an unpopular decision over Tommy Grant, 148, Asheville. Despite bad weather, a large crowd was on hand for the fistic fireworks.

Ray Foutts, one of the best and squarest men to manage a fighter, announces the return of his Tommy Yarosz, ace light-heavyweight, and Mike Raffa, crackerjack featherweight, to the squared circle. Tommy and Mike were both contenders in their respective divisions. Yarosz served brilliantly with the famed 78th Division in the ETO, while Raffa was with the Paratroopers.

Joe Kirkwood, Jr., son of the famous golfer, Joe Kirkwood, won the contest to determine who will portray the comic strip hero, Joe Palooka, in a movie. Young Kirkwood is a handsomely built lad and can use his dukes well, as you will see in the picture. Celebrated fistic stars like Joe Louis, Henry Armstrong, and Ceferino Garcia will appear in the production. Kirkwood Senior, and Junior, both live in Daytona Beach, Florida.

Joey Lippson, Detroit and Miami Beach sports figure, is promoting boxing in Orlando, Florida. Lippson is using the Sportswriters' Boxing Bill to govern his promotions. This bill is the same that met with defeat at the last State Legislature meeting in Tallahassee. Florida sports writers got together and wrote the bill, due to the misconduct rampant in boxing here.

Their work was not in vain, for Joe Lippson is using the same bill as a guide to place boxing on a better, more honest scale. Lippson will adhere strictly to N.B.A. rules.

Footballer "Red" Cameron of Miami joins the growing list of Florida heavies including Tommy Gomez, Buddy Scott, Elmer Ray, John Thomas, Larry Lovett, Jim Bowden, Tom Sharkey and Dixie Lee Oliver.

The best prospect in Dixie at this writing is the Asheville, N. C., middleweight, Johnny Taylor, a punching fool. Johnny is an Army product. He is managed by Ted Ball, also from Asheville, and himself a well-known Southern fighter from 1928 to 1933.

Boxing news and information, results, etc., will be greatly welcomed by your correspondent. Address: Tom Ephrem, 403 West Ninth St., Jacksonville 6, Florida.

Carl Sivers, former Jacksonville boxing lightweight pride, has been discharged from the Service, and is back home. . . . Johnny Blaine, a top featherweight ace here in Jacksonville some years ago, was home recently, looking better than ever. Johnny, stationed at Camp Lee, Va., has been greatly active with the sports parade up there. One of the most popular fellows you would care to meet and know, Blaine intends to return to the boxing game as a trainer and manager when released from the Army.

They all say the impossible can happen. And Yours Truly has found it out. And how. Marriage was the last thing on our mind. Now it's the first. Opposing this here humble correspondent in yon corner, is the former Miss Dolores Hauck of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

A letter from J. W. Colson of Tampa bears interesting news in regard to the fighters who are now making headway in his locality.

There is 19-year-old Roy Evans, a 175-pounder, who is managed by Buster Carroll, former top-notch welterweight. Evans, in Carroll's opinion, is a coming world's heavyweight champion. The lad is smart and fast. Another lad who is hitting 'em well in the heavyweight ranks, is 17-year-old Jimmy Young, who weighs 179. This boy is a clever boxer. Ralph Hughes, 16 years old, is a little Ray Robinson. He won his last two starts, defeating Joe Gavin, and Roy Jackson, both in sixers.

Among the fight managers and others belonging to the fistic fraternity who are doing something to help with the sport are Willie Santanna, Floyd Golden, Ed Sullivan, Buster Carroll, Paul Butler, and Nick Maccellanno. Some fight results that took place in and around that area: Roy Evans beat Jimmy Young in ten, and beat Tiger Henning in eight. Jack Evans beat Bill Scoler in six. Jimmy Young won from Tiger Henning in 8 and repeated in 10. Ralph Hughes decisioned Joe Gavin and Roy Jackson in six, and Johnny Dupree beat Larry Lynn twice, both eight rounders.

Boxing will be one of the main sports of the University of Miami schedules. The Southerners will engage the Nation's best collegiate clouters, the boys of Wisconsin University, and will enter the National Intercollegiate Tourney late in March.

In a ten-round heavyweight duel, Billy Duncan, 180-pound Washington, D. C., boxer, copped the duke from Bulldog Griffin, 176, of Fort Worth, Texas, at Miami.

Johnny Taylor, most promising middleweight in the South, won his eighth straight as Jimmy Gresham of Miami became the latest to hit the deck for the full count. Taylor weighed 157 and Gresham 152, Jacksonville was the scene.

Roy Hensley, Augusta, Georgia, fight manager, writes that his Baxley Hardy, hard-hitting middleweight, is ready for action and expects to be mustered out of the Service soon. Hardy was the scourge of the Dixie middleweights several years ago, and hopes to pick up from where he left off. Hensley will promote boxing in his home town, and Hardy is expected to be his chief attraction.

Middleweight Champion Tony Zale, weighing 162½, put the kayo wallop over on Tony Gillo, 165, in the fifth round of their non-title bout at Norfolk, Va.

John Thomas, Negro heavyweight from Fort Lauderdale, won a ten-rounder from Billy Grant at Orange, New Jersey. Thomas scaled 183, and the loser, 173½.

With both boys weighing 132½, Maurice "Lefty" LaChance of Lisbon, Maine, and Norman "Hi Ho" Silver of New York, went ten rounds to a draw at Miami.

Pedro "Baby" Zammaripa, 125, Mexican scrapper, although outweighing Hugo "Pee Wee" Flores by eight pounds, provided Tampa fans with an upset when he put the little local Bantam Bomber to sleep in nine sensational rounds at Tampa. Two thousands fans witnessing the fireworks, saw Pee Wee hit the deck for five different counts.

In another scrap that went big with the spectators, Buddy Rose, Sarasota middleweight, copped the rubber match from Joe Torres, fighting Puerto Rican. This was a hot fight. Buddy, enjoying a weight advantage, was floored twice in the third and fifth rounds, but got up to plant several sweet smashes to Torres' stomach, driving Joe to his knees, where Referee Danny Cruz tolled off the fatal ten.

In the prelims Baby Chino kayoed Bobby Rodriquez in round two; and Young Alvarez finished off Jimmy O'Dea, West Palm Beach, in the opening heat.

Allen "Red" Bryant, veteran boxer, stopped Bobby Sylvester in the sixth round of their main event at Sarasota. It was a sweet fight all the way, until Bobby suffered a broken rib.

Roy Evans, 175, Tampa, knocked out Jimmy Young, Plant City, 178, in the first round of their fight at Sarasota. A terrific right to the jaw finished Young. In the semi-windup, Joe Torres, 148, was the winner by a T.K.O. over Jose Luna, 150, of Mexico, in the seventh heat. Luna had a bad cut over his left eye, and the house doctor stopped it.

Manny Gomez, Tam[illegible] welterweight boxer, got back in the win col[illegible]nn, registering a fifth-round K.O. over his r[illegible]val, "Red" Bryant of Plant City. It was a sch[illegible]duled ten-rounder. Another bout, intended for [illegible]ten rounds, ended in the seventh, as Bulldog C[illegible]magueyano, 136, Cuba, proved too much for Bob[illegible] Root. Root was dead game. He visited the c[illegible]vas five times, until Referee Tony Cancela w[illegible]ely halted the tilt.

Baby Lincoln beat Charlie Stokes in a close fight; Blondy Baggett kayoed Johnny Genaro in round two, and Pat Lucas got the nod over Billy Roberts.

A youngster who is doing well in his fighting at Tampa, Fla., is Young Alvarez, local larruper. He has eleven straight kayoes to his credit at present. He is a lightweight.

Texas Joe Dundee Lillo, former Beaumont, Texas, boxer, but for the past decade a resident of Jacksonville, is running a gym where the local boxers are seen daily in workouts.

Two lads who campaigned prominently with the gloves in the ETO while in the Service, Don Webber, featherweight, and Dick Elliot, 142-pounder, are under management of J. R. Hodges of Roanoke, Va. Webber, one of the outstanding performers there, won the ETO title for two years. Both lads give the fans a good show, as they are club fighters deluxe. Don is 22 years of age, and Elliot, a year older.

Eddie Barnett, a fistic protege of the leading middleweight contender, Georgie Abrams, has been mustered out of the Navy and ready to box under the guidance of Abrams' manager, Chris Dundee.

Biff Holstein, former boxer from Lowell, Mass., now a Jacksonville resident, has joined forces with Morris Miner, leading fight manager in the Jacksonville area. Holstein's young lightweight, Jackie Blount, is the ace fisticuffer in our part of Florida, and is a pleasing performer. Jackie is a dead ringer for Lee Savold, heavyweight contender. He is a Jacksonville *Journal* Golden Gloves graduate.

Cpl. Jimmy Hearns, young New Yorker, who has been doing a great job for THE RING in keeping up "The Servicemen's Honor Roll," has been discharged from the Army Air Force. Jimmy left Seymour Johnson Field, N. C., in February.

Quite a number of old RING Magazines have been received from friend Bill Husen of Miami, Fla., for benefit of many who have been requesting The Boxing Bible, particularly among the English readers. Want to thank Bill and the many who are so considerate and kind that have been helping all along.

Gerry Hall, former Quincy, Mass., boxer, is connected with the Quincy Varsity Club and promotes amateur boxing for that organization. The bouts are all amateur.

Frankie Ross, 148, of Boston, won in ten rounds from Sammy Mammone, 146, Providence, R. I., at Miami.

Buster White, Jr., fistic impresario of Savannah, Ga., visited Jacksonville recently. With Buster was the Savannah Slugger, Tommy Kiene, the local fight favorite there.

Jimmy Webb of Birdwell, Ky., who fought with the 766th Field Artillery (5th Army) in Italy, is a lightweight boxer, and at present is stationed at Camp Blanding, Fla. Jimmy boxed in his state and also while in camp at Fort Bragg, N. C.

Big Ben Moroz, giant New York heavyweight, when in Tampa recently for a fistic meet, was rejected from hotels in the Cigar City, because his six-foot-'leven and 302 pounds could not be accommodated with the furniture on hand.

Ernie Petrone, Philadelphia welterweight, put a big dent in the armor of Clarence "Cotton" King, winning a wide decision over the local pride at West Palm Beach. King weighed 140. Petrone won five rounds, four being even, and King copped only one heat, the tenth.

Johnny Lovett, Philadelphia, 142, took the duke from Vic Jade, 140, Cleveland, in the eight-round semi-tiff. Clyde "Flash" Gordon, Jacksonville 142-pounder, carried too much fire in his fists for Tampa's Larry Lynn, stopping Lynn, 146, in round three. Johnny McGrath, local youngster, put Billy Beriner on the deck three times to finish him in the second round. Sandy Mack fought a four-round draw with Harry Goldberg, New Haven, Conn. The season's best crowd, 2200 fans, attended.

Boxing came back to Augusta, Ga., with a bang as Baxley Hardy, local middleweight pride, and Battling Buddy Rose, Sarasota slinger, raised the roof in their ten-round slugfest. The nod went to Hardy, but was most unpopular. The first four stanzas were the Georgian's. Rose came back to capture four rounds, Hardy another, and one heat was even.

Rose gave the hard-hitting Hardy the fight of his life, and had him in distress in the seventh. The winner scored an eight-count knockdown in the fourth. The Sarasotan made a terrific hit with the fans and a return match will be more than welcomed. A big house was on hand for the opening.

In the semi-final, K. O. Garvin flattened Texas Joe Dundee in the fourth round. The boys are heavyweights. Two Negro welterweights, Bill Kennedy and Ralph Gardner, fought a tough six-rounder, which went to Kennedy. James Brown, a welterweight with an efficient left jab, and Kid Owens went four rounds to a draw. Roy Hensley did the promoting and seems headed for a bright boxing season.

Lt. Billy Long of the Tampa police force is managing the action fighter, Buddy Rose, middleweight. Bill is a swell addition to the boxing game. He will also handle the business for Joey Puig, Tampa featherweight.

A Joe Baksi-Buddy Scott heavyweight duel is on tap for Jacksonville fans sometime during March or April, according to Al Schneider, former fight promoter, who is getting back into the picture. If Scott cannot make it Schneider said a suitable opponent for Joe will be sought. Steve Belloise, former Naval middleweight ace, who has a big following in this city, is likely to appear on the same program.

Johnny Lovett, 139¼, of Philadelphia, whipped Jack Larrimore, 140, Miami, in a ten-rounder at West Palm Beach. Clyde Gordon of Jacksonville was too strong for Vic Jade, a Cleveland clouter. Gordon stopped Jade in four. Knute Baker, Terre Haute, Ind., halted Phil Carter, a Philadelphia boy, in seven rounds.

Frankie Ross gave Joe Torres, now of Tampa, a neat boxing lesson in a welterweight match.

Frankie's skillful boxing against Torres' brawn made the match an excellent treat.

Joe Legon, Cuban middleweight, kayoed Charlie Padalino, 157, of Detroit, in two rounds, while Mannie Gomez, 150, decisioned Joe Torres, 154, in a twin bill at Tampa.

Russell Durham, former Florida state welterweight champion from Jacksonville, was released from the Navy Separation Center in Jacksonville. Russ copped the title for three straight years. In 1932, he lost in the finals that was to determine the U. S. Olympic team.

Johnny Taylor, colorful Asheville, N. C., middleweight, made it nine straight kayoes at the expense of Steve Sloneski of Savannah. Steve was dropped for counts in the second and fourth before the fight was stopped.

Knute (Buster) Baker, smooth working Terre Haute, Ind., welterweight, licked Joe Torres in a ten-rounder at St. Petersburg. Torres made Baker work for the win. In the semi-final, Eddie Berlin (Sandy Mack) lost to Jimmy Young of Plant City in an eight-rounder.

Bobby O'Day, young 128-pounder from Baltimore, stopped Frankie Willard, Newark, Ohio, in the third round. Maxie Turner, former state lightweight champion, scored a kayo over Oscar Valdez, Tampa, in the second heat. Ray Jackson of Orlando stopped Ferel Norris, St. Petersburg, in their clash. Ray Arnold is the Legion matchmaker and gives the fans a good card.

Freddie Pope, 125, former bantamweight contender, appeared with Ted Christie, 126, Chicago, in the feature ten-rounder at Miami. The boys went to a draw.

At Sarasota, Eddie Mader, local heavyweight, kayoed Jim Bowden of Jacksonville to atone for past losses to the mauler.

Walter Bantum, Negro middleweight boxer from Baltimore, has returned to civilian life. Walt would like to hear from his buddies. Address him: Walter Bantum, 2317 N. Hunter St., Baltimore, Md.

Freddie Marja, who made a hit in Florida, rings before the war, has been discharged from the service and will be donning the gloves in the Sunshine State once more.

Tommy (Coot) Cooper, Negro Savannah lightweight puncher, is back home from overseas and wants to resume his fistic work in a hurry. Cooper fought on the writer's fight program for the Servicemen overseas, and is a sweet right-hand puncher. Cooper was on both Joe Louis tours in Sardinia and Corsica while in the Mediterranean theatre.

Johnny Lovett and Ernie Petrone, welterweights, hooked up in a ten-rounder at West Palm Beach with Johnny copping the decision. Freddie Pope stopped game Joe Diaz in five rounds in a twin feature. Twenty-four hundred fans attended. Auctioning of merchandise for the Infantile Paralysis Fund yielded $1327.10. The Pope-Diaz go was a nifty shindog until an injured nose forced Diaz to halt. Knute "Buster" Baker, Terre Haute, Ind., beat Dan Stan in an eight-rounder. Pete Mangine, Cleveland, Ohio, kayoed Frankie Fernley, Fort Lauderdale, in 53 seconds of the first heat.

In the star bout at Sarasota, Joe Torres, crowd-pleasing welterweight, stopped Red Bryant in the fourth round of a slated ten. Baby Joe Diaz, a newcomer, made his debut in the United States and put the skids under Johnny Janiero, also in the fourth.

Ole Willie Santanna, popular Tampa fight manager, is a captain in the MacDill Field Fire Department, near his home. Willie used to put out a sports sheet in Tampa that was a humdinger with the fight fans there.

Marty Fuller is back in Miami Beach and has Marty Clark, heavyweight, as well as several other good boxers. Fuller would like nothing better than to get Clark a return bout with Tommy Gomez, the Tampa belter. Both are Purple Hearters.

Freddie Pope, Columbus, Ohio, featherweight, won a slashing victory over Pete Mangine, Clevelander, in the main event at West Palm Beach. It was the outstanding fight to date at West Palm Beach. Pope weighed 126 and Mangine, 132. The end came in the seventh round, as Pete fractured his wrist and was forced to call it a night. The third round provided plenty of thrills. In the other feature bout, Frankie Ross, capable Boston welterweight, decisioned Knute "Buster" in ten. Ross kept jabbing his left into Baker's face. In other scraps, Clyde Gordon, Jacksonville, surprised in outpointing Joe Torres in an eight-round slugfest. Lenny Crendey, Boston, was a kayo winner over Eddie Berlin (Sandy Mack). The end came in 53 seconds of the first heat.

J. R. Mann, Jacksonville amateur boxer, is in Miami with the Navy forces. Johnny won the novice welterweight championship in Jacksonville in 1941. Johnny appeared in smokers and fought in amateur battles while in New Zealand.

Harvey and Moe Weiss, the fighting twins from New York, who served well under fire in the Pacific, have been released from service and are in serious training for a comeback, according to their former manager, Marty Fuller.

Maurice "Lefty" LaChance and Norman "Hi-Ho" Silver renewed their feud here after battling to a draw several weeks ago. This one was won by LaChance after a hectic battle, including dirty fighting for one-half the contest. It took the referee, the fight promoter and one of the boxing commission members, Jimmy Peerless, Major Peeples, Jr., and Judge Daniel P. Galen, respectively, to put a halt to these tactics. Lefty weighed 134½ and Norman, 132½.

In the six-rounders, Clyde Gordon, Jacksonville, kayoed Billy Bernier of Lewiston, Me., in the first round, and Chauncey Miller, 153, New York, won from Mike Lewis, 149, Pittsburgh. In the opener, Eddie Boden, 175½, won over Walter Baden, 197, in four.

The writer would greatly appreciate it if anyone can help by sending the address of Hank Pappas, a light-heavyweight, who boxed around Tampa. Write to Tom Ephrem, 403 West Ninth Street, Jacksonville 6, Florida. It is very important.

CANADIAN TOPICS
By LAWSON BAMPTON

HARRY HURST scored a technical knockout over Joey Peralta by the referee's edict, only to see it overruled. Then the fight resumed and the final verdict was a draw. The heavy-hitting Montreal welterweight had Peralta in distress in the eighth round with a furious barrage that had the fiery Mexican reeling and grabbing. Then an old cut opened over Peralta's eye and Referee Irving Phillips promptly stopped the fight, awarding it to Hurst.

Peralta protested loudly and the commission ruled that the fight continue after the doctor's examination indicated that the cut was not dangerous. The fight, and what a fight, topped Al Foreman's opening 1946 offerings at the Forum.

It was a great battle with plenty of clouting and savage exchanges. Hurst carried the action most of the time while Peralta scored well with counter-punches.

Plenty of controversy resulted when the draw decision was announced. Many insisted Peralta had a margin on points, while others opined that Hurst was primed for a knockout victory when hostilities were interrupted. It was a mistake by the referee not to wait till the round ended, then call in the doctor, but it is human to err.

There was plenty of action in the other bouts, three eights and a six-rounder. Ted Christie, Chicago, surprised with his smart display in defeating Steve Kronis, belting Boston Greek. In another eight, Fernando Gagnon, Quebec, Canadian feather titlist, had an edge over sprightly Benny May, but the judges called it a draw.

Al Evans, Negro local middleweight, had too many heavy guns for Billy Tordiglione, Boston veteran, and stopped him in the second heat. Evans looked good. He is a popular card with the fans. Solly Zalter, local Jewish middle, looked impressive in his scheduled six-rounder with Fernand Demers, hard-hitting local French-Canadian. Demers started off badly in the first two heats, but was warmed up and going well when his eye was cut in the fourth, necessitating cessation of hostilities with Zalter the victor by technical knockout.

Jimmie McKimmie started off his weekly cards at the renovated Coliseum with a return bout between Dave Castilloux and Doll Rafferty, Milwaukee Negro. Castilloux scored a clean-cut victory to redeem his loss at Rafferty's hands previously in Milwaukee. A capacity crowd attended, but many of them jammed in without paying. The Coliseum was caught unprepared for the last-minute rush and not more than half of the 5000 or so paid.

Joe Gagnon, most popular amateur attraction ever produced here, made his pro debut in the headliner of McKimmie's second offering. He had far too much class and punching power for Gabriel Rios, a rugged Puerto Rican, who got a break in more ways than one when a broken bone in his left hand forced him to retire at the end of the fourth, Gagnon winning by a T.K.O. in the fifth. Gagnon looks slower but stronger and it will take a good bantam to lick him. He served as a lieutenant in the Canadian Army.

Gus (Pell) Mell scored a smashing triumph in his return to the Boston Garden when he cut loose with a grandstand finish to hammer Johnny Cesario to his first defeat in forty fights.

Al Evans made a hit in Boston though he dropped a hard-fought duke to John Henry Eskew, a hard-hitting light-heavy. Eskew has flattened his last dozen foes or so, but Evans gave his heavier opponent a mighty rough evening of it.

IN OUR QUESTION BOX

J. L. Barber, New Orleans, La.

Q.—Can you give me the official scoring at the end of the first Louis-Conn fight?

In your opinion, could Louis have won on a decision?

Was Louis knocked down?

What were the results of the fights Conn engaged in after his fight with Louis?

A.—Referee Eddie Josephs had 5 rounds for Louis and 7 for Conn.

Marty Monroe had 4 rounds for Louis, 7 for Conn and 1 even.

Bill Healy had 6 rounds for Louis, 6 for Conn.

Louis was slightly behind on points. Louis was not knocked down, but was almost floored in the twelfth.

After losing to the champion, Conn defeated Henry Cooper in 12 rounds, James D. Turner in 10, and Tony Zale in 12.

A Reader

Q.—At even weights, what do you think would have been the outcome of a 15-round bout between Harry Greb and Ray Robinson, Billy Conn and Harry Greb, and Willie Pep vs. Benny Leonard?

A.—Greb would have defeated both Robinson and Conn, in my opinion. Leonard would have beaten Pep.

A Reader

Q.—How many seconds of the first round did it take Al "Bummy" Davis to knock out Bob Montgomery? Was this the shortest fight in history? Who was the referee?

A.—One minute and three seconds. By no means, but it did set a Madison Square Garden record for brevity. Frank Fullam.

Q.—Was Sammy Angott's decision over Willie Pep unanimous?

A.—Yes.

Daniel J. Pinto, Cincinnati, O.

Q.—What year did Charlie White retire, and from what city did he box out of?

A.—Charlie White retired from the ring in 1924. He was born in Liverpool, England, but made his home in and boxed out of Chicago.

A RING Reader

Q.—Who defeated Rocky Graziano besides Steve Riggio and Harold Green? Who drew with Graziano? How many fights has Jimmy Doyle lost? Are Charley Burley and Bee Bee Washington Negroes?

A.—Charley Ferguson in 1942, Joe Agosta in 1943. Frankie Terry and Danny Kapilow drew with Rocky.

Our records show that Jimmy Doyle has been beaten five times. Yes.

Joe Pimental, New Bedford, Mass.

Q.—How many times did Joe Louis meet Tommy Farr and what was the outcome of each bout? How many times did Max Baer box Tommy Farr and what were the results?

A.—Once, in New York, with Louis winning a 15-round decision. Twice. The first time in London, with Farr winning the decision. The second time in Madison Square Garden, with Baer winning the decision.

Pvt. J. A. Carpenter, St. John's Barracks, Canada.

Q.—In the fight between Harry Hurst and J. Peralta, the referee stopped the bout in the seventh round owing to a deep cut over the eye of Peralta and awarded it to Hurst. However, after the official doctor had examined the eye, he ordered the bout to be continued and Peralta, finishing strong, earned a draw in the final decision.

It is the contention of the men of our barracks that the final decision was incorrect and we are eager to know from you whether the official decision will go down in THE RING Record Book as a draw or a T.K.O. for Hurst?

A.—A draw. In most states of this country, the referee is the final judge of a bout and if he stops a contest, no doctor or even a commissioner will interfere. However, in your case, the commission apparently permits the interference by an official physician, since, as you state, after he had made an examination, his ruling was upheld by the commission which offered no support to the original ruling of the referee, and the bout went on to its termination. Then the judges gave their verdict and that one is the only one that counts. In New York the decision would have been a K.O. victory for Hurst. In your country, the official decision is a draw.

Harry R. Bleiwise, Newark, N. J.

Q.—How many times did Willie Pep fight Sal Bartolo, and what were the results of each fight?

A.—Pep and Bartolo fought twice. Pep won both times on decision. The first time a ten-round verdict and the second time by fifteen-round verdict. Both bouts took place in 1943.

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TIMELY CHATTER FROM GREAT BRITAIN

By JOHN S. SHARPE

A PACKED to the rafters house at the Seymour Hall, London, saw Ken Shaw, 197, heavyweight champion of Scotland, have an all too easy journey over eight rounds to defeat George James, 198, Welsh heavyweight.

The contest proved slow and rather dull to watch, for both men seemed ponderous and neither were willing to stand up and slug it out.

James, who, after a long layoff, reached the heights through his defeat of the French heavyweight champion, Jose Ricol, proved an easy target for the blows of the Scot.

Ex-British lightweight king, Eric Boon, 146¾, produced some of his old fireworks when he knocked out Cyril Wills of Shrewsbury, 145¼, in the first of a scheduled eight round contest.

This was Boon's comeback attempt and it took the ex-champ exactly 2 minutes 55 seconds to transform his opponent into a helpless heap.

A right to the head followed by a left to the jaw put Wills on the canvas twice for nine counts and when he arose glassy eyed the same treatment finished him.

Billy Biddles, 137½, a smart West Bromwich lightweight, easily outpointed Bobby Ramsey of Stepney, 139¼, after eight fast and furious rounds.

Jack Solomons, whose promotorial activities are now extended as far afield as Sweden, took Jock Porter, Scottish heavyweight, to Stockholm, where he took one heckova beating from Ollie Tandborg, Swedish heavyweight champion.

After approximately sixteen knockdowns, with Porter on the receiving end throughout, his chief second advised his retirement, and the game Scot received the plaudits of the big crowd for his fine and honorable display while suffering defeat.

An unusual ending was applied to the contest between Jimmy Ingle of Eire and Anton Raadik of Sweden, when after Ingle had been declared to have been knocked out in the third round he was awarded the referee's decision after a doctor had examined him.

Albert Finch of Croydon and ex-ABA middleweight champion, won on points over Jimmy Hockley of Covent Garden after eight good rounds at the Caledonian Road Baths, London.

Billy Taylor of Chiswick was outpointed in eight rounds by Harry Hughes of Scotland, while Taddy Murphy of Ireland knocked out Mick O'Brian of Ireland in the last of a scheduled six round contest.

Alby Hollister of Islington outpointed Johnny Bartlett of Kings Cross in a six round cruiserweight contest and Pat Cubis of Luton knocked out Frank Edwards of Islington in the third of a scheduled six round welterweight contest.

By far the best bout of the evening was that provided by Lew Ford, 142½, Australia, making his first appearance in an English ring, as a substitute, and Ernie Ward, 154½, Kingston, in a six rounder.

Ford became a huge favorite with the big crowd by his handling of the hard hitting Ward, and after an outstanding display of counter punching, the Australian was an easy winner.

Cliff Curvis of Swansea, 124, outpointed Mickey Colbert of Galway, 119¼, in ten fast rounds at the Liverpool Stadium.

Stan Hawthorn, 138, of North Shields, won over George Pull, 141, of the RAF, by a technical kayo in the third of a scheduled eight round lightweight bout.

Tom Smith of Birmingham outpointed Joe Kay of Horwich in eight rounds.

Freddie Wilks of Birkenhead outpointed Arthur Lewis of Oswestry in six rounds, while Bobby Nicholes of Guernsey outpointed Norman James of Liverpool over the same distance.

Albert Finch of Croydon, ex-ABA middleweight champion, retained his unbeaten certificate when he forced Marine Billy Cottrell of Bermondsey to retire at the end of the fifth of a scheduled eight round contest at Beckenham Baths, Kent. Cottrell sustained a badly cut mouth.

In an eight rounder, Johnny Toonig of Croydon beat Reg Hill of Enfield, the referee stopping the contest in the seventh round.

Dick Shields of Liverpool, 144, won on points over Ginger Roberts, 145, of Whiteley Bay, over ten rounds at the Liverpool Stadium.

Mick Gibbons of Belfast outpointed Cyril Maudsley of Preston in eight rounds, while Sgt. Billy Kenrick outpointed Jock Bonas of Rotherham over the same distance.

Roy Kitchen of Manchester won over Johnny McDonald of Luton when the latter suffered a badly cut eye in the sixth of a scheduled eight round contest and was forced to retire.

Ron Wilson of Warrington won on points over Paul Wassell of Barrow in six hard rounds.

Jake Kilrain of Glasgow and ex-holder of the British welterweight title now embarked upon the comeback trail knocked out Dennis Skidmore of Rotherham in the second of a scheduled ten round contest at the Stadium, Liverpool.

Tommy Burney of Liverpool won well over Andy Quinn of Glasgow in eight rounds at the flyweight limit.

Dave Edwards of Liverpool won over Mel Pope of Newport in the fifth of a scheduled eight round contest when the latter retired.

Harry Hughes of Glasgow won by a technical kayo over Jack Parnell of Birkenhead in the fifth of a scheduled eight round lightweight contest.

Len Harrison of Barnsley caused Tommy Renner of Liverpool to retire in the sixth and last round.

Cliff Anderson, 121¾, Jamaican bantamweight, and contender for world honors, enhanced his claim when after coming in as a last minute substitute for Jackie Paterson, world's flyweight champion, who was abed with 'flu, he well outpointed Gus Foran, 120½, of Liverpool, in ten rounds at the Seymour Hall, London.

Anderson provided plenty of action, picking his punches well and hitting Foran at will.

The Negro took the initiative early in the contest, and didn't relinquish it, running out a very comfortable winner.

Danny Webb, 127½, of Canada, was disqualified in the fourth of a scheduled eight round contest with Tommy McGlinchey, 127¾, of Scotland, for an alleged low blow.

McGlinchey took a long count during the second round and the ending was extremely unfortunate for the Negro Canadian, who seemed set for a good win.

Billy Thompson, 136¼, of Sheffield, ex-ABA lightweight champion, kept his unbeaten record intact, when he defeated Syd Worgan, 136¾, of Wales, in eight rounds.

Harry Silver, 140¼, of Clapton, beat Tommy Foxall, 141¾, of Tipton, in six rounds, while Harry Bazar, 149¼, of Aldgate, and Harry Davis, 150, of Bethnal Green, drew over a similar distance.

Stan Hawthorn of North Shields won over Stoker Jackie Grimes of the Royal Navy, by a technical knockout in the fourth of a scheduled ten round contest at the Liverpool Stadium.

Billy Ross of Methil outpointed Billy Barton of Liverpool in eight rounds. Charlie Smith of Birkenhead outpointed Arthur Lewis of Oswestry in eight rounds. Jack Parnell of Birkenhead outpointed Jack Humphreys of Leeds in six rounds. Ken Whiteley of Halifax outpointed Norman James of Liverpool in six rounds.

Jake Kilrain, 153, of Scotland, ex-welterweight champion of Great Britain, engaged in his second comeback contest and again emerged victorious by the short route when he knocked out George Dilks of Barnsley, 156¾, in the fourth of a scheduled ten round contest at the Liverpool Stadium.

Kilrain piled into Dilks in the fourth round and a tremendous barrage of punches sent the Barnsley lad tottering around the ring. A final body blow wrote finis to the bout.

Terry Allen, 113, the brilliant London flyweight, serving with the Royal Navy in Egyptian waters, received a shock in his return eight round contest with Abdel Fattah Hassan, 131, ex-bantamweight champ of Egypt, at the Municipal Stadium, Alexandria, before a crowded house, which included Nabil and Nabila Hassan Toussoun.

In the first round, Allen, who is the possessor of an unbeaten record, started too confidently, and walked into a terrific right to the jaw which dropped him. Rising, groggy and surprised, he began to fight back only to be floored again from another hard right. Up quickly, he soon recovered and was fighting hard at the bell.

The second round saw Allen taking the fight to the Egyptian and he scored with both hands to the body.

Hassan, whose eye was badly cut by a straight right, then took two long counts, but seemed to weather the storm. Again in the third, he was floored by the fast and hard-hitting Englishman, and this time he was counted out.

Billy Barton of Liverpool, 139, won on points over Neil McCearn of Scotland, 142, after ten fast rounds at the Liverpool Stadium.

Barton thus reversed a previous decision.

Richie McCulloch, 122¼, of Glasgow, outpointed Mickey Colbert, 122, of Liverpool, in eight rounds at the bantamweight limit.

Roy Cutler of Doncaster was outpointed by Vernon Ball of Wales in eight rounds.

Lewis Hughes of Luton won over Jack Parnell of Birkenhead when the latter was ruled out for an alleged low blow in the fourth of a scheduled eight round contest.

Chris Kelly of Liverpool won over Ron Pritchard of Wales in the first of a scheduled six round bantamweight contest.

Arthur Danahar, 148, of Bethnal Green, it seems, profits by past experience, for in his return contest with Frenchman Omar Kouidri, 146¾, at the Royal Albert Hall, he won with quite a bit to spare at the end of the ten rounds.

In the previous contest, Danahar went in and fought it out with the hard and often hitting Kouidri, who well won, but this time the wily Bethnal Green lad stood upright and boxed his way to victory with a good looking left hand.

Gus Foran, 120½, Liverpool, scored a points victory over Jean Jouas, 117½, of France, after ten rounds of not-so-thrilling boxing.

The French lad, who is 25, but doesn't look a day over 16, was inconsistent, for although he floored Foran for eight, with a terrific punch in the third round he was unable to repeat this dose and Foran gradually pulled ahead to win easily on points.

Eric Boon, 147¾, former lightweight champion of Great Britain, scored another quick win when the referee intervened in his contest with Paddy Bergin, 148¾, former Irish amateur welterweight champion, in the second round of what was to have been an eight round contest. Bergin had suffered severe punishment in the opening round and was completely outclassed.

Billy Thompson, 134½, of Rotherham, had quite a hard road to travel before he finally was awarded a points decision over Ben Duffy, 131½, of Jarrow, in eight rounds.

Henry Hall, 146¼, of Sheffield, the up and coming Yorkshire welter, scored another good win when he outpointed Johnny Watters, of Ireland, 146, in eight thrilling rounds.

It was one of the best bouts seen at the Royal Albert Hall.

Had the pleasure of meeting an old friend the other day, Harry Sheppard, a London lad, who went to Canada and made good in a big way, being that Dominion's foremost boxing manager. Renewed an extremely pleasant friendship of long duration.

Harry tells me that he is over here to introduce his stable of Canadian boxers to British fans. His biggest hope is to match Dave Castilloux, Canada's light and welterweight king, with Ernie Roderick for the latter's British Empire welterweight championship.

It is interesting to note that Promoter Jack Solomons already had this match earmarked for an early date.

Harry will be returning to Canada in the near future, and will be taking with him Ted "Kid" Lewis, that grand old timer, who is now a boxing manager, and the latter's school of fighters, and also Canada's own Danny Webb, who after making a big success in British rings is anxious to try things out in his native Canada.

In the meanwhile, Harry wishes, through this column, to send his sincerest regards to his friends on the Boxing Commission, to Elmer Ferguson, Dink Carrol, Bax O'Meara, Eddie Quinn, J. McKimmie, Russ Leighton and the Foremans.

Congratulations to Nel Tarleton on his 40th birthday, a record that he can be proud of, for he is the only English fighter in the history of the ring to hold a championship at that age.

George Grant, the leading Scottish boxing promoter, has obtained the signature of Joe Curran's manager for Curran to meet Champion Jackie Paterson at Ibrox Park, Glasgow, in April.

Curran has been guaranteed £1,000 ($5,000), and now the manager of Paterson is holding out for £4,000 ($20,000).

George tells me that he is almost certain to draw a record gate for boxing in the British Isles. The park can hold 100,000 people.

Jack "Busy Bee" Solomons has signed the match of the year for Great Britain.

Bruce Woodcock, British Heavyweight Champion, and Freddie Mills are to meet over 12 rounds, and the amusing part of this match is that it will not be recognized as a title fight. In the eyes of this writer and any fair minded critic on boxing, it is the opinion that if Mills knocks out Woodcock before the 12 rounds or wins on points, and even if he wins on a foul, he will be the heavyweight champion of Great Britain and the Empire.

There is talk of the fight being staged in Dublin because the entertainment tax there is 20% as against 48% plus 5% for the British Boxing Board of Control, nevertheless I am willing to wager that the contest will take place in London.

Ted Broadribb signed for Mills and Tom Hurst signed for Woodcock. Jack's biggest headache will be, on what football ground will he be able to cater for the vast crowd that will want to witness this slugfest.

AT SCRANTON, PA.

ANTHRACITE A.C. (Casino Hall, Scranton): Charley (Dixie) Davis, New York City Negro, knocked out Al Franklin, also of New York, a substitute for Johnny Ricco, Baltimore, in fourth round of scheduled 10-round windup. Milo Theodorescu decisioned Patsy Zoccano, Brooklyn, six rounds.

Don Scanlon, 127, Ozone Park, L. I., technical knockout over Sammy Zelman, 126, New York City, fourth round. Joe Guido, 158, Hazleton, Pa., decision over Johnny Jostick, 162, Dupont, Pa., four rounds. Johnny Gall, 133, Hazleton, won technical knockout over Hal Arrington, Negro, 132½, Binghamton, four rounds. Joe Dallo, 162, Hazleton, kayoed Lee Carroll, 157, Scranton, second round. 957 fans paid $1,678.75 (gross) to see show.

Has Long Layoff Hurt Louis?

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reporters he didn't believe Baer should be permitted to fight Carnera, until Max was in better shape, and announced his intention of consulting his colleagues on the boxing board and suggesting that the battle date be changed to a later period.

Bill did just that and in so doing dropped a bombshell that shook up the promoters in rare style. It was protested that the gate would be ruined by a postponement. Bill Brown stuck to his guns, but in the end was over-ruled by his board associates and the ticket sale went on joyously.

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WHEN Baer went on to stop Carnera, the newspaper scribes poked a good deal of fun at Bill. But the latter was subsequently proved to have been right. It was a solid fact that Baer was *not* in the pink for that encounter. He won, but there were times during the bout when he tired badly. When this occurred Max let up for a bit until he regained his wind and strength. This action on his part was set down to Baer's love of clowning, a favorite ring habit of his. But when he was apparently kidding Carnera, he was really taking a much-needed rest.

Max loved the bright lights, the ladies, music, dancing, everything that goes toward the making of night-life glamor. In the earlier stages of his fighting career he trained vigorously and kept as fit as the proverbial fiddle. The late Philadelphia Jack O'Brien was wont to say that Baer had the finest athletic body he ever saw, and it was a treat to watch him exercise.

Later Max loosened the bonds of discipline as his reputation and popularity grew in volume. He was in fine condition when he knocked out Max Schmeling in New York on June 8, 1933, in 10 rounds. But he had been having an extra good time during the year which elapsed between that match and the one with Carnera, when Bill Brown's eagle eye detected something wrong about the condition of Primo's prospective opponent.

He got by the huge Italian successfully and stepped proudly on to the heavyweight championship throne. A dashing, vibrant good-looker, his possession of the crown made Max more sought after and popular than ever, but it didn't help his athletic standing. He had slipped back quite a bit when he consented to defend his title against Jim Braddock.

This was not generally known, although he was decidedly off color on the night of April 23 when Eddie Simms, a Cleveland boxer of no particular repute, jabbed him incessantly during a four round, no decision, bout in that city, and finished by decorating the champion with a black eye of gorgeous proportions.

He was a heavy favorite over Braddock when they met on June 13, 1935, in New York City, and with one exception the Gotham sport writers picked him as sure to win easily. The solitary exception was Francis Albertanti, who astonished his press colleagues by declaring that Braddock would not only be victorious, but have very little trouble beating Baer.

That seemingly rash prediction came out correct in every detail. Braddock left-handed the champ all over the ring, stopped his rushes with ease, and there wasn't a dissenting voice heard when the referee announced that the world's heavyweight title had changed hands.

So the game goes. Shakespeare wrote eloquently of the divinity supposed to hedge a king, and there's no dissipating the halo surrounding a champion's head until he takes a licking, and is deposed from his high estate. Until that happens he'll rule as favorite every time he goes to the post, no matter what may be written or suggested to the contrary.

In Defense of Boxing

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he sent for me and in a long conference said:

"I have been appointed to a most important post, Nat, as you know. I want your help. Can you get me nine good name boxers, all topnotchers who are within the draft age and will be called to the colors or will soon have to enlist to avoid the draft. I would like to confer with them and have them enlist immediately in the Navy. I will have all of them sent to a school to learn the job of Chief Specialist and when they graduate, I will place each in charge of a camp to train the boys in boxing. The Navy is going to go in big for that as a physical developer and for self-defense and I would like to start off with topnotch boxers, champions and leading boxers preferred.

If Gene Tunney felt that way about his job in the Navy and he carried out his job most efficiently with as fine a bunch of boxing men as ever had been gathered by any branch of the services, then I'm sure Dr. Wittich will agree that Gene's first statement as it appears in the autobiography can't carry much weight.

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SO far as battering a fighter into such state that his brain is affected, Dr. Beard need have no fear of that condition because with very few exceptions the men who face each other in the ring today, under proper commission guidance, are well matched, and if they are not, the commission's referee doesn't permit any battering or slaughter.

A one-sided fight doesn't last long. It is halted. That's why we have state supervision. Only occasionally, when the official is ignorant of his job, does such a condition exist. I have yet to see a punch drunk fighter get into a ring in New York City.

As for blindness, Herman and Langford lost their sight because of resin dust on the gloves of their opponent. Today, under state supervision, as soon as a fighter's gloves touch the canvas, the referee halts the bout and wipes the dust from the gloves.

Boxing as it exists today needs no protection from me or anyone else. It is the sport of sports.

It is the greatest commercial athletic enterprise in America. It is the most supervised athletic activity. It commands the respect of our greatest and best people, including the President of the United States, who, just before he took the oath of office, sat at the ringside in the Garden and was so thrilled by the beautiful boxing exhibition given by Tony Janiro that he asked to have the lad brought over to where he was sitting and shook his hand and congratulated him.

Presidents Theodore Roosevelt, Andrew Jackson, Abraham Lincoln and George Washington were experts in boxing or wrestling, or both. Lincoln could wrestle with the best of talent as could Washington.

What was good for those great men should be good for our children. Boxing should be a MUST in high schools and colleges to better train the boys for what lies ahead of them.

In the News of the Month

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thing onto an interrupted education that was limited to eight grades. He is also putting a good part of his earnings into a trust fund.

Boston boxing experts feel that a bout between Hayes and Willie Pep or a scrap with Bartolo would easily outdraw the record set at Braves Field by Jim Maloney and Jack Sharkey.

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JOHNNY ABOOD, LAVERNE ROACH and HOWIE BRODT

THIS is a tale of three Marines who planned and dreamed of fistic fame in the barracks at Cherry Point, North Carolina, two years ago, and are now together in New York making their mark in the boxing world.

Paste the names of Howie Brodt, Laverne Roach, and John Abood in your hat because you're sure to be hearing plenty about them in the near future.

John Abood is a former fighter, now in his early thirties, who enlisted in the Marine Corps and became a boxing instructor at Cherry Point. To this base, solely by chance, also came two recruits, Howie Brodt, who had boxed as an amateur in his home town of Utica, N. Y., and Laverne Roach, a youngster of twenty, from Plainview, Texas.

Brodt idolized his fellow townsman, the popular Bushy Graham, who taught him most of his early pointers. Howie engaged in 30 amateur contests before his enlistment on October 7, 1942. He lost but three fights as a simon pure. While in the Marines, Brodt boxed such outstanding men as Artie Levine, Danny Rosati, and Jimmy Britt.

Roach first attained a small degree of fistic prominence when he won an amateur tourney in his home state of Texas. He was chosen to represent the Lone Star State in an eight state amateur tournament in New Mexico. Laverne went to the finals at Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he was defeated by John Patrick O'Leary. Although beaten, Nat Fleischer, who refereed 53 bouts in that tournament in four nights, and cast the only vote for Roach, named Laverne as the outstanding fighter of the tournament and the one most likely to succeed as a professional.

Roach is a good belter even though he lost his first bout to Henry Johnson in his first bout following his discharge from the Marines.

How Louis Wrested Title from Braddock

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with even slightly involved situations. It was impossible to tell in the Chicago fight whether Louis is still susceptible to mental confusion in new situations because Braddock didn't offer any.

"The Jersey Irisher fought like an old tintype. But maybe that's the only way he could fight at 31 and weighed down with thick layers of a two-year-old rust. He was around yesterday saying he wants another crack at the Negro.

"This moved Mr. Jack Kearns to remark: 'I guess the poor guy hasn't come to yet!'"

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THE blow by blow story of the battle follows:

ROUND ONE

Braddock met Louis as he came out and threw a long right, but it was wild and they clinched. Jim tried another right and it was wild. Louis unleashed a terrific right but Jim blocked it. Jim sent two lefts to the face and Louis sent a left to the body. They sparred cautiously.

Louis missed a left to the head but he followed with a heavy right to the jaw. Braddock sent a left to the face and blocked Louis' counter shot.

Jim sent a left and right to the body and Louis then hammered him in the body with both hands. Louis connected with a terrific right that staggered Jim, but Braddock staggered Louis with a sizzling right that upset Joe. Louis was up at the two count and was fighting back furiously at the bell. Braddock had a slight cut over his left eye.

ROUND TWO

Braddock sent two lefts to the head but they were high. Jim then tossed a left to the head and Louis countered with a right to the jaw. Braddock sent another left to the head, then missed a hard right to the same spot.

Braddock drove two heavy rights to the head, but they were a trifle high. Louis sent two light lefts to the head and they sparred cautiously. Braddock drove two vicious lefts to the body. Louis missed a left and right to the head and Jim countered with a crisp right to the head.

Jim sent a hard left to the jaw and Louis backed away. Louis tried to hold Braddock off with his left, but Jim cracked him with a hard right. Louis staggered Braddock with a hard right and left to the head, and Jim was in distress as the bell rang.

ROUND THREE

Jim was a little slow coming out, but when Louis got close enough he banged him with a short right to the head. Braddock was short with a heavy right to the head. Louis sent a series of lefts to the face. Braddock crossed two rights to the jaw that buckled Joe's knees, but he missed with a third one. Both missed rights to the head and then sparred at long range. Braddock missed a short right to the head and they exchanged lefts.

They sparred for several seconds before Louis sent a stiff left to the body. Braddock's right to the head was short, but he followed with two hard rights to the head. He followed with a right upper cut to the jaw but took a right to the head in exchange.

ROUND FOUR

They sparred cautiously and Braddock whipped a left to the head. As they sparred again Braddock drove a left and right to the jaw. Joe then sent three lefts to the head. Louis sent another left to the face and Braddock whipped both hands to the body but missed two hard rights to the jaw.

They traded lefts to the head and Louis connected with a sharp right to the jaw. Braddock sent a short right to the jaw. Louis had the better of an exchange of lefts. Louis missed a right to the head and Jim shot a right uppercut to the head.

ROUND FIVE

Jim cracked Louis on the head with two rights. Two lefts to the nose drew blood from Louis' nose. Louis countered with a heavy left to the jaw.

Braddock sent a sharp right to the jaw. Braddock sent a hard left and right to the jaw. Louis was doing more forcing now, but Braddock drove a jolting left to the head. Louis sent three lefts to the face and a hard right to the jaw. The blood dripping from Joe's nose seemed to be making him breathe with difficulty.

ROUND SIX

Louis backed away as Jim swung an overhead right. Braddock landed two glancing rights on Louis' jaw. Louis drove two lefts to the face and followed with a hard right to the jaw, but the champion came back with a two-fisted barrage to the head that sent the challenger back into the ropes.

The cut over Jim's left eye was reopened as they came out of a clinch. A series of lefts sent the blood streaming from Louis' nose. A series of rights staggered the champion and one of these blows opened a cut in Jim's upper lip, but the champion refused to back up and he buckled Louis' knees with a right to the jaw at the bell.

ROUND SEVEN

Braddock sent a left to the head that drove Louis to the ropes. He followed with rights to the head and body. Louis scored with both hands to the body and sent three lefts to the head. Jim missed a right to the head and Louis stood off and stabbed him with a series of lefts.

Jim missed a left to the head but scored with a right to the body. Braddock scored with three uppercuts to the head. Braddock drove a left and right to the head but Louis countered with a left and right to the head.

Louis was bleeding at the nose and Braddock from the mouth. Braddock drove a heavy left to the head and followed with two rights to the jaw. Braddock's left eye was puffed and swollen as he went to his corner.

ROUND EIGHT

Braddock drove Louis to the ropes with a left and right to the head but he took a left and right to the body. Louis drove a left to the head and a heavy left hook to the body.

Louis drove a left hook to the head and a short right to the jaw that dropped Braddock to the canvas and he was counted out.

Louis wins by a knockout.

The time was 1 minute, 10 seconds.

Servo's Win Costs Him Plenty

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to pit the best man in the division against the champ. In the welter class such man was, and still is, Ray Robinson, who was shunted aside to make room for Servo but who will get his chance in May, according to an agreement signed at the boxing commission office when the Servo-Cochrane bout was approved.

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MARTY should make a good champion. Ray Robinson won't find him the easy mark he has found in others. Their other two bouts were close ones and Servo lost though he went the limit. The sailor is a smart, heady battler who can handle himself like the best in the division.

He fought Cochrane like a true champion. Weighing 143 to 145 for the title holder, Servo was fit as a fiddle for his battle for a crown. He was cool and seemed unconcerned when he entered the ring, as against a pale, nervous opponent who seemed to know the answer to the question, how will he fare against his adversary? It didn't take more than the opening round to realize that he was doomed to lose by a knockout, but the kayo came a little sooner than was anticipated.

During his tenure of office from July 29, 1941, when he took the crown from Fritzie Zivic, to the time he entered the ring for the Servo match, Cochrane had nothing but pride and a fighting heart. He didn't figure with the great men of the division, a class that boasted of some of the best professional fighters in the history of boxing. The Servo mill was his only defense of the crown due to long service in the Navy, and he made only a feeble effort to retain the championship, not because he didn't want to do better, but because his defeats at the hands of Rocky Graziano, who twice knocked him out, had taken their toll.

His legs were gone and the cleverness he displayed against Graziano and Zivic were left behind him. He fought and looked like an old man. Only thirty-one, he appeared to be carrying a ten years' handicap as he entered the ring.

Servo at twenty-six, on the other hand, displayed ability and strength. Cochrane blamed his long stay in the Navy for his downfall, but since Servo served as long and showed no ill effects, Freddie's excuse may be tossed aside.

First Serviceman To Win Title

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While in the Coast Guard, Servo served as an athletic instructor, first at Ellis Island, then at Manhattan Beach, both in the New York area. Later he moved to Elizabeth City, Va., and finally wound up at Norfolk, Va., where he was given his honorable discharge on September 5, 1945.

Servo, by his great performance and the remarkable condition he attained for the title fight with Cochrane after a four-year layoff, has shattered the theory held by many boxing experts that long tenure in the armed forces would ruin many of the good boxers who joined the colors at the outbreak of war. Like Gus Lesnevich, who kayoed Joe Kahut in one round, Marty proved the fallacy of the argument of the fistic experts. If what Lesnevich and Servo displayed is a criterion, then the former service men are sure to be the best fighting men in the post-war period.

Corrections to Be Made in All-Time "Ring" Record Books

In the records of Terry McGovern, in the issues of 1942, 1943 and 1944, make the date of the bout with Eddie Hanlon, October 10, 1904, instead of 1903.

In the record of Solly Smith in the year 1893, in issues of 1942, 1943 and 1944, add for that year:
June 10, Oscar Gardner, St. Paul, L. 6.
In 1894 record of Solly Smith add:
Nov. 27, Oscar Gardner, Buffalo, L.F. 5.

In record of Jack Britton:
Change date of bout with Ted Lewis in 1915 from March 27 to March 26.
In 1916, add March 22—Kid Graves, Dayton, O., N.D. 15.
In record of Jack Britton for 1918, add:
May 2—Ted Lewis, Scranton, D. 10.
May 24—Ted Lewis, New York, N.D. 6.
June 20—Ted Lewis, New York, N.D. 6.
Make the March 6 fight with Ted Lewis read:
March 6—Ted Lewis, Atlanta, N.D. 10, instead of Exh. 10.

In record of Ted Lewis in all books make March 6, 1918, read:
March 6, Jack Britton, Atlanta, N.D. 10, instead of Exh. 10.

In record of Harry Greb, all issues, make the following:
1915—Dec. 16—Kid Graves, Pittsburgh, K.O. by 2. (Greb broke an arm and had to retire.)

In record of Kid Lavigne:
March 7, 1894—Solly Smith, Saginaw, Mich., D. 3.

In record of Joe Gans:
1906—George Kid Lavigne, Detroit, Exh. 3.

In record of Kid Graves:
1915—Dec. 16—Harry Greb, Pittsburgh, K.O. 2. (Greb broke arm in second.)

In 1945 issue—Page 65—Have Dave Castilloux's record read:
Dave Castilloux, Nationality—French-Canadian.

In record of Julian Malavez, Page 197—May 12, 1942, should read: May 12, Harold Green, Brooklyn, L. 4.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By HARRY WINKLER

JOE LOUIS couldn't have done it any quicker or with less effort, than Jimmy Bivins required in disposing of Johnny Haynes at the Los Angeles Olympic. The bout went into the second round, but that was because Haynes consumed most of the first heat reclining on the seat of his pants or in making round-trips to and from the canvas. The ponderous Negro was floored six times in the opening round.

Bivins wisely crouched a bit as they came out at the opening bell and he looked like a lightweight against his over-sized opponent. After sparring a few seconds, Bivins whipped over a right to Haynes' chops that caused Johnny to act as though he had stepped on a banana-skin. His feet went up and he landed on his breeches. He refused to sit it out though, and clambered to his feet at the count of three, but was not too mentally alert and started to take a walk. Bivins moved in on his big target and nailed him with another right to the head, again putting the big guy in a sitting position, this time for a 9-count.

Haynes was no sooner upright than he was felled for another long count, the ticket for this trip to the canvas being punched with a left hook. The spectacle of a small man felling a big one like timber is always a thrilling one, and the 8000 fans were on their feet yelling like mad. However, the reader's heart may be weak, so, I will avoid further detail and merely relate that Haynes was floored three times more before the round ended.

Haynes made his only bid for victory when he tore out in the second round and shot over three rights for the head, one of which landed solidly and shook Bivins up, but that was all the pitching that Johnny got to do with his hands—with his hands, that is. Bivins landed a right and left to the jaw and the giant Negro pitched to the floor for the full count. Bivins weighed 187. Haynes 216. The gate grossed $27,644.

In the semi, Jimmy Coleman, 165, Los Angeles, decisioned Francis Ogg, 173, Sacramento, in six.

In remaining bouts: Babe Edwards, 185, Los Angeles, nodded Jess McGowen, 191, Chicago, in four; Frisco James, 179, stopped Bobby Nora, 192, in three; Mario Luna, 136, KO'ed Johnny Chavez, 136, in the third; Ozzie Lewis, 152, bested Johnny Ramirez, 146, in four.

Alfredo Chavez of Los Angeles, state flyweight champion, successfully defended his title by stopping Benny Cousins, Los Angeles Negro, in the second round of a scheduled 15-rounder at the Long Beach Auditorium.

They boxed on even terms in the first round. Chavez tore out in the second heat to force Cousins into a corner where he nailed Benny with a right that floored him for a 9-count. Cousins arose in a groggy condition and the fiery little Mexican tore into his foe with both fists and decked him twice more before the bout was halted by Referee Bill Kerscher.

Jackie McCoy, 129, Los Angeles, gave Ramiro Lopez, 130, San Diego, a boxing lesson for four rounds and KO'ed him in the 5th of the semi-windup.

Other results: Rio Rico iced Levi Board in two; Pee Wee Swingler disposed of Bobby Molina in the second; and Connie Smith decisioned Lou Mosely.

Jack Chase, veteran Negro boxer of Colorado, gave the boys something to buzz over when he handed Bobby Zander of Texas, a lacing in a 10-rounder at the Hollywood Stadium. Not many of the local scrappers care to cross gloves with Zander, so, when Chase agreed to meet the heavier young Texan, it appeared like a bad match for Jack.

After getting over a few rough early rounds, Chase ran up a big lead. Until he ran out of gas, Bobby was a dangerous customer and he shook Jack up with a few heavy punches, but he missed most of the time and slowed down to a walk in the last half of the go. Chase was credited with six of the rounds and two of the heats were tabbed as even. The weights were announced as Chase 169, Zander 174.

In the semi, Jimmy Rickards, 165, clever and hard-hitting Negro, belted out Frankie Calzada, 164, San Fernando, in the first round. Calzada was a soft touch for Rickards, who is really of main-event calibre.

In the special, Benny Cousins, 116, clever little Negro, TKO'ed Battling Rosendo, 118, in the fifth round. Cousins experienced little trouble subduing the game Mexican boy, who has lost his ruggedness along with weight.

In the 4-rounders: Bobby Molina, 118, decisioned Chuco Chute, 120, and Bud Thomas, 169, stopped Dick Bird, 161, in the third.

Tommy Garland, 182, Culver City, jabbed and right-crossed his way to a lop-sided win over Nolan Sharp, 185, Los Angeles Negro, in a ten-rounder at the Ocean Park Arena. Sharp, a terrific right hand puncher, was a threat all the way, but could seldom hit his clever foe. There were no knockdowns, although Garland staggered Nolan a few times in winning 9 of the 10 rounds.

Other results: Tony Becerra, 126, Mexico, and Nick Smith, 127, Los Angeles, fought a fast draw, 4; Frankie Russell, 158, KO'ed Lou Mosely, 154, 1; Les Arterbridge, 162, chilled Willie Wright, 161, 1; Luis Renteria, 130, belted out Chuck Edwards, 129, 2; Danny Ledesma, 142, iced Lucio Beltran, 142, 2; Connie Smith, 162, and Nate Gibson, 163, went to a draw. 4.

Spider Jensen of North Hollywood, and Jimmy Florita of Stockton, banged each other lustily for five rounds at the San Diego Coliseum, but Jensen put an end to the slugfest in the sixth when he sank a left into the Filipino's stomach. It had been a nip and tuck affair, with Florita slightly ahead on points at end of fifth. Jimmy showed little respect for Jensen's vaunted punch, and waged an aggressive fight that caused Spider to retreat on numerous occasions. They were mixing furiously in the 6th when Jensen dug the left hook into the body to put the Filipino down for the count.

In supporting bouts: Stew Adams, Imperial, KO'ed Lou Mosely, Los Angeles, in two; Willie Wright, San Diego, decisioned Connie Smith, Los Angeles, in six; Tony Becerra, Mexico, whipped Henry Young, San Diego, in six; Flash Gordon, San Diego, TKO'ed Cerafino Garcia, Mexico, in the fourth.

Oakland Billy Smith dispelled any doubts as to who is the California light-heavy champion (Lloyd Marshall isn't interested in the title) by punching Buddy Millard out of the picture in the fourth round of their scheduled 15-rounder at the Los Angeles Olympic. Smith outpointed Millard in a warming-up first round. Buddy steamed up and bested the Oaklander in the second. Smith copped the third, but it was not until the fourth heat that the fight really got under way—and broke up shortly after.

Both came out fighting. Millard nailed Billy with a right that hurt. Then Smith put on a two-fisted attack that forced Buddy to the ropes and Billy put in some solid blows to the Texan's tummy and planted a left hook on Millard's jaw that put him down for a 9-count. Buddy came off the deck full of fight and they swapped blows for a full minute. They had just parted from this exchange, when Smith whipped over a right that barely nicked Buddy's chin to drop the Texan for the full count. Smith weighed 171, Millard 174.

In the 6-round semi, Fabela Chavez, 129, had to step on the gas in the final two rounds to cop a split decision over Eddie Sangster, 130. Fabela won the first round with a no-count knockdown and had a shade in the second. The clever Negro outpunched Chavez in both the third and fourth rounds but slowed up to drop the last two rounds by shades. It was a fast, exciting contest.

Babe Edwards, 183, making his return to the ring after two years in the navy, slugged out a hard earned decision over Carlton Perry, 210, in the special, 4.

In remaining prelims: Willie Jones, 141, outpointed Julio Franco, 141, 4; Wilson Mackey, 166, and Bob Hunter, 165, drew, 4; Duane Lewis, 139, whipped Willie Tatum, 141, 4.

Don Lee, perpetual-punching welterweight of Inglewood, proved entirely too busy for Jackie Ryan of San Francisco, and pounded out a decisive victory in their 10-rounder at Fresno. Lee put on a two-fisted attack from the first to the final bell, keeping the Irish boxer too busy to do much else but defend himself.

Ryan's left jab was of little avail in holding off his aggressive foe and Lee was credited with six of the rounds. Jackie copped two of the heats with some solid right uppercuts and he fought Don on even terms in two other rounds.

Other results: Bud Thomas, 167, Los Angeles, KO'ed George Smith, 158, Fresno Negro, in the fourth; Gil Romero, 145, Camp Pinedale, decisioned Joe Novoa, 146, Mexico, in four; Bill Kingsland, 170, Redondo, disposed of Delaware Braddy, 170, Modesto Negro, in two; Joe Garcia, 131, Modesto, stopped Gil Gonzales in the first.

Movie City fans now know that Bolano's win over Frankie Moore wasn't much of a feat after witnessing the defeat of Moore by Pete Virgin, of Schenectady, N. Y., in a ten-rounder at the Hollywood Stadium. The outcome was something of an upset, as local fans knew something of Virgin's record, so, Moore was made a 4-to-1 favorite. The Easterner is no great shucks of a fighter, but he is awkwardly-clever, a clowning type of battler and very aggressive, a style that plays havoc with the Moore type of fighter.

Moore can take a punch and belts hard with his right, but, that's about all. Virgin kept on top of him and whaled away with both fists, mostly to the body. Frankie copped three heats by scoring with some long rights to the head and some right-hand uppercuts. Virgin swarmed all over the Negro in the other seven rounds and at times had the Frisco fighter too befuddled to even punch back. Virgin weighed 131, Moore 133.

In the six-round semi, Nick Diaz, 129, speedy southpaw, chalked up a nice win by defeating Pete Pacheco, 128. Diaz scored a knockdown in the fifth.

In the four-rounders: Bob Castro, 160, whipped Les Arterbridge, 163; Babe Huerta, 137, defeated Roberto Agala, 135; Danny Ledesma, 142, nodded Willie Tatum, 142; Connie Smith, 163, beat Bill Kingsland, 170.

Tiger Sheppard, Texas Negro light-heavy, laid Ray Acosta of Los Angeles, among the daisies in the third round at the Long Beach Auditorium. Sheppard came out winging at the opening bell and had the Mexican veteran in trouble on numerous occasions before finishing him with an overhand right to the jaw early in the third.

Paulino Montez, a promising lightweight of Mexico, punched out the decision over Wilfred Scott, Los Angeles Negro, in a six-round semi.

In other bouts: Johnny Taylor beat Henry Carrillo in four; Harry Wills decisioned Carlton Perry in four; Johnny Martinez and Roosevelt Bonner drew; Johnny Ramirez defeated Carlisle Squires in the opener.

Nick Peters, that hard hitting Greek who met the best of them a few years ago, essayed a comeback and dern near made the grade. Peters met Arturo Barron at the Ocean Park Arena, and for a few heats the sturdy Greek more than held his own, in fact, on a couple of occasions it appeared that Nick was to win by a knockout.

But Peters ran out of gas and the Mexican youngster, making the best fight of his career, came on to go out in front. The gruelling scrap ended in the eighth when the Greek received a badly cut eye, and Barron, who was ahead on points, was awarded the fight by TKO. Barron weighed 140, Peters 139.

Jackie McCoy, 128; Los Angeles, displayed a heavy punch, as well as boxing skill, in outclassing Tony Becerra, 130, Mexico, in the semi-windup.

In other bouts: Frankie Russell, 158, KO'ed Billy Turner, 160, in two; Flash Gordon, 145, stopped Jimmy Ladd, 145, in the second; Armando Fentez, 135, and Billy Mitchell, 140, bumped heads and both received cuts, causing the bout to be stopped in first round; Bud Thomas, 168, and Bill Kingsland, 170, had their bout stopped and called no-contest.

Probably the Carmine Fatta of '40 or '41 could whip the Enrique Bolanos of '46, but I doubt it. At any rate, the Carmine Fatta of '46 has no business in the same ring with the rage of Mexico. Nevertheless, they met in the ring at the Los Angeles Olympic and three minutes was the time required to prove a foregone conclusion. To Fatta's credit, he showed neither fear nor respect for Bolanos' punch, but, there are men who make such displays even before a firing squad.

Fatta came out swinging, but his blows were light and Bolanos wasn't bothered, even when Carmine's blows did get past the Mexican's guard. But, when the New Yorker pulled away from Enrique's counters, and smacked him a couple of healthy wallops—the foolin' was over. Bolanos punched fast with both hands to Fatta's head, then dropped him to his knees with a solid left to the stomach. Carmine arose at the count of two, but was soon sent sprawling through the ropes, and barely made it to his feet at the count of nine.

Bolanos showered him with blows and he went down again for a six-count. He arose from this third knockdown a dazed, defenseless target, so, was soon back on the canvas, where the bell ended the count at 3. Fatta was dragged to his corner. Seeing the unconscious fighter slump off his stool while his handlers were endeavoring to revive him, Referee Johnny Indrisano raised the Mexican's arm. Bolanos weighed 134, Fatta 135.

In the semi, Fabela Chavez, 127, won a hard fought six-rounder over Alfredo Escobar, 127. Although the speedy Chavez outboxed his game foe most of the way, Escobar landed the harder blows and the decision was not unanimous.

In the special, the classy Jackie McCoy, 129, dished out an artistic lacing to Pee Wee Lewis, 130, veteran trial horse of Baltimore, in four.

In remaining prelims: Frankie Russell, 157, and Connie Smith, 160, drew in four; Jimmy Martin, 177, decisioned Frisco James, 176, in four; Lito Perez, 150, KO'ed Manny Flores, 155, in two.

Chino Carvajal, 133, Tia Juana, decisioned Jess Salazar, 132, Los Angeles, in a ten-rounder at the San Diego Coliseum. Carvajal outclassed his foe to win by a city block. Salazar had one big moment when he decked Chino for a nine-count in the third, the only round that Jess was credited with.

In another ten-rounder, Kid Lester, 158, San Diego Negro, slugged out a win over Jackie Byrd, 150, Arkansas. Lester floored Byrd in the third and won the majority of rounds.

Other results: Casey O'Hara, 190, Oklahoma,

disposed of Mike Flaherty, 184, San Diego, in the third; Mike DeLaRosa, 116, Los Angeles, bested Joe Nevarez, Imperial, in four; Judy Ruba decisioned Lucio Beltran in four.

The "club fighter" gets most of the cheers and their services are in demand, but they pay a high price for their popularity. This thought was brought on by the case of Rene DeLeon, Los Angeles Mexican slugger. Although DeLeon is only a kid and has lost but four times in over twenty fights, I believe that his two years of "catching" has so softened him up that from now on most of his contests will be losing ones. I hope that I am wrong and will honestly be pulling for Rene to make my prediction a phony one.

Tony Chavez, Los Angeles veteran, belted DeLeon out in less than a minute in their clash at the Hollywood Stadium. But it wasn't this quick knockout that convinced this writer that the lion-hearted youngster is through. It was his gym performances previous to this disastrous defeat.

Chavez hurt DeLeon with the first punch he tossed, a left hook to the jaw, and Tony followed it up with lefts and rights to beat the game kid to the canvas for a nine-count. Rene arose with an expression of pain on his face and Referee Frankie Van halted the one-sided affair. The bout lasted but 58 seconds. Each weighed 145.

In the semi, Pete Pacheco, 127, Los Angeles Mexican, and Bert White, 131, Chicago Negro, battled six hard rounds to a draw.

In the four-rounders: Leonard Johnson, 161, decisioned Ozzie Lewis, 152; Willie Jones, 144, beat Fugio Escabedo, 146; Jess McGowen, 192, nodded George Edwards, 180; Mickey Simon, 148, stopped Billy Stone, 148, in one.

Paulino Montez, 137, Mexico, pounded out a six-round decision over Wilfred Scott, 138, Los Angeles Negro, at the Long Beach Auditorium. It was an action scrap all the way, with the baby-faced Mexican always in the driver's seat. Montez felled Scott for a nine-count in the third and had the Negro gamester in a groggy condition on numerous occasions.

Harry Wills, 175, South Bend, Ind., Negro, whipped Steve Ludman, 190, Los Angeles veteran, in the four-round semi.

Other results: Jimmy Rickards, 165, KO'ed Paulie Watkins, 163, in the first round; Ramiro Lopez, 130, and Chuck Edwards, 129, bumped heads in the opening round, causing cuts that necessitated the bout being stopped; Frankie Russell, 158, disposed of Lou Mosely, 154, in the second; Benny Cousins, 115, chilled Bobby Molina, 117, in two.

Jess Flores, 138, Stockton, added Sonny Hill, 135, Los Angeles, to his long list of victims by outclassing the tall Negro boxer in a ten-rounder at Fresno. Flores, an artful dodger, was much too clever for Hill and the Mexican was credited with all ten heats.

Hill made a big hit by his gameness, for, although floored in the second, eighth and tenth rounds, as well as receiving a swollen face and cut mouth, Sonny was still in there trying to the final bell. It was Flores' 39th start without a defeat.

Other results: Ruperto Garcia, 127, Mexico, and Frankie Yannes, 129, Stockton, fought a draw, 6; Gil Gonzales, 127, Fresno, decisioned Benny Cabrerra, 132, Fresno, 4; George Smith, 158, Fresno, beat Johnny Ramirez, 150, Los Angeles, 4; Bobby Lee, 168, Fresno, KO'ed Johnny Rogers, Fresno, 4.

Tommy Garland, Culver City, 182, won by TKO over John Donnelly, 187, Kansas City Negro, in the fifth round at the Ocean Park Arena, when the latter received a badly cut eye and the bout had to be stopped. The wound was inflicted by a hard right in the fourth, but the referee allowed the fight to continue, giving Donnelly's handlers the opportunity to mend the gash. It had been an interesting contest and fought on even terms.

In supporting bouts: Frankie Calzada, 162, and Bob Guess, 160, fought to a draw in four; Richie Mendoza, 130, and Pablo Ortiz, 132, also ended up in a dead heat in four; Danny Ledesma, 143, stopped Sal Dias, 141, in the fourth; Connie Smith, 160, TKO'ed Paulie Watkins, 160, in two; Bill Turner, 160, cooled Clint Campbell, 161, in the fourth.

He doesn't always win, but you can feel pretty safe in promising the wife to be home early whenever you go to see Fitzie Fitzpatrick do battle. Fitzie got back in his first-round groove by belting out Ernie Rios in just 29 seconds at the Los Angeles Olympic. And Rios was decked four times in that short length of time, in fact, the Mexican was knocked down so suddenly and often that timekeeper, referee and sport scribes disagreed on the counts of the knockdowns.

Fitzie reminded one of Dempsey as he came tearing out of his corner to floor Rios with an overhand right before the sound of the gong had died out. Ernie got up groggy and with guard down, and a left hook put him back in the resin. A flock of lefts and rights beat him to the deck for the third time. A right to the button sent him on his fourth trip to the floor. The gamester scrambled to his feet again, but he had nothing to offer but a target and Referee Charley Randolph rushed in ahead of Fitzie to prevent what might have been a serious blow to boxing, as well as to Ernie. Fitzpatrick weighed 170, Rios 176.

In the semi, Bob Farris, 150, decisioned Edgar Robinson, 156, in six.

In the best fight of the night, the four-round special, Jackie McCoy, 128, flashed lots of class in winning handily over Al Escobar, 127. The innocent-looking Irishman had his tough foe in a bad way in the final round.

Jimmy Rickards, 166, who has been bowling over his opponents with monotonous regularity, added Leonard Nix, 177, to his list of victims, scoring a kayo in the first round. Jack Butler, 177, decisioned Jess McGowen, 195, in four; Les Arterbridge, 160, nodded Bob Hawkins, 158, in four.

Kenny Watkins, 161, Los Angeles Negro, that young Professor of the left-jab school, had too much on the ball for Allen Arnett, 171, in the six-round feature of a benefit show staged at the Long Beach Auditorium. Proceeds of the show went to the Sister Kenny Fund.

In supporting bouts: Louis Wise, 165, outpointed Bob Castro, 160, in six; Leonard Johnson, 158, nodded Ozzie Lewis, 152, in six; Dick Bird, 163, copped the duke over Bilbo Smith, 170, in four; Babe Ellis KO'ed Mickey Simon in the third.

Had you asked me, I would have said that Roscoe Scally is not of main event ability. But, you didn't ask me and besides, Scally has been elevated to that billing and made good, at least, in his first feature role. The Pasadena Negro scored a six round kayo over Chuey Figueroa at the Hollywood Stadium. Figueroa, a good boxer when not hurt, loses his head and slugs it out once he is hurt, and that is what happened in the third.

Scally nailed Figueroa with a hard right on the jaw that put the slender Mexican down for a nine-count. Chuey came up mad as a wet hen and tore into the stocky Negro with both fists flying, and a couple of rights to the head had Roscoe in a bad way. But Scally survived the onslaught and shortly after, it was Figueroa's knees that were buckling from a two-fisted barrage. Then just when it appeared that Chuey was to kiss the canvas again, he put on a counter-attack that had Scally in a dizzy condition at the bell.

The rugged pace slowed them both down. Figueroa went back to boxing and easily outpointed Roscoe in the fourth, but Scally copped the fifth on aggressiveness. A left to the body and a smashing right to the jaw floored Chuey for the full count in the sixth. Scally weighed 131, Figueroa 133.

In the six-round semi, Fabela Chavez, 129, displayed plenty of speed and ring savvy in easily outboxing Bert White, 130, Chicago Negro.

In the six-round special, Pete Pacheco, 127, punched out a TKO win over Battling Rosendo, 124, in the final round.

In the first two prelims, Les Arterbridge, 162, KO'ed Bilbo Smith, 173, in two, Nick Smith, 129, stopped Chuck Edwards, 129, in the fourth.

A classy young Negro from Detroit has aroused considerable interest in the local lightweight division by handling the cagey Al Medrano a lacing in a ten-rounder at the Ocean Park Arena. This Negro boy who boxed too well and hit too hard for the rusty Medrano, was Leon Spencer, who possesses enough ability to beat a lot of the California scrappers. However, Spencer did not beat the Medrano of three years ago. Al, recently out of the Navy, is being neither trained or coached properly at this time.

The bout was not an exciting one, both being boxers who prefer to counter-punch. Spencer copped at least six of the rounds and had the speedy Mexican in a bad way at the finish. Spencer weighed 135, Medrano 134.

In the semi, Babe Edwards, 182, won a hard fought four-rounder over Clyde Bowman, 176. Edwards received a cut eye in the opening round.

Other results: Al Gutierrez, 129, won over Johnny Martinez, 124, 4; Freddie Hernandez, 120, nodded Bobby Molina, 118, 4; Willie Tatum, 143, KO'ed Tim Clark, 144, 3; Johnny Chavez and Rio Rico were tossed out by the referee for not making their best efforts.

Tommy Garland, 183, Culver City, could not stop, but had little trouble defeating Jack Butler, 176, Los Angeles Negro, in a six-rounder at the Long Beach Auditorium. Garland kept the Butler off balance and dizzied him up in every round with sharp rights to the head.

Jackie McCoy, 129, Los Angeles, was the hit of the show. The poker-faced little Irishman dished out an artistic lacing to Ciro Zurita, 128, Mexico, in the four-round semi.

Frankie Russell, 158, Los Angeles, beat Johnny Taylor, 155, in a heavy punching four-rounder. Both were on the floor in first round. Luis Renteria, 128, Mexico, decked Amando Sanchez five times to win by kayo in the third. Jimmy Ladd, Chicago, and Johnny Chavez drew. Charley Salas decisioned Billy Mitchell.

Los Angeles boxing fans and amateur boxers of Southern California are all steamed up over the Third Annual Golden Gloves tournament to be staged at the Hollywood Stadium next month. There are a number of classy boys in the lighter divisions and it is believed that the team to represent Los Angeles at Chicago this year will, as a whole, be the best team yet sent from this sunny clime to the Windy City.

The Los Angeles boxers who are favored to cop titles in their respective divisions are Henry Roberts, 135, Johnny Baca, 112, Tommy Georgino, 160, Gene Loughridge, 147, Ralph Gutierrez, 126, and Wally Vrbancic, heavyweight. However, it is said that the San Diego team, made up of winners of a tournament in that city, is a very good one, so, something very unpleasant could happen to the above mentioned favorites.

Robt. H. Svensson, Director of Public Relations for the Los Angeles *Times*, is again the man behind Los Angeles' most important annual boxing event, with Harry Winkler again the Director of the Golden Gloves Tournament.

And it is because this poor guy is so busy working on the coming tournament that he is unable to find time to add any fistic notes or comment on any of the correspondence this month. However, all who enclosed stamped, self-addressed envelopes with their inquiries, will be answered by mail.

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IN SAN FRANCISCO RINGS
By ROBERT VALLI

JACKIE WILSON, California state welterweight champion, easily licked Jackie Ryan, San Francisco Irisher, in ten rounds at the Civic Auditorium.

The battle was dull and uninteresting for the most part and Ryan proved a big flop in his first major engagement. Wilson won the last eight rounds of the scrap and never had too much trouble with the Frisco lad.

The semi-final was fast and furious, with Richie Shinn, fast coming Korean lightweight, decisioning Freddie Taylor, Denver gamester, in six rounds. Shinn outclassed Taylor at will. Shinn is a future star.

Jimmy Bivins, stocky Clevelander, was all of a ten-to-one shot over Watson Jones, Los Angeles Negro, when he kayoed the playboy in six rounds at the Civic Auditorium.

Jones was a late sub for Lloyd Marshall and gave a good account of himself by fighting Bivins and trading punches. However, Jimmy proved far superior. He rocked Jones on several occasions and had him on Queer Street when the referee called a halt. Weights were: Bivins 187, Jones 174.

Preliminaries, all fours, resulted as follow: Chuck Ross, middleweight, and Jimmy Boggs, Oakland, drew. Art Lind, Hawaiian sensation, halted Ray Moore, 164, in three. Carl Olson, 159, great prospect, kayoed Obie Wooten in one. In the opener, Angelo Rodgers, 134, and Billy Carlisle, 138, slugged for four sensational rounds with Rodgers winning.

Chester Slider, crowd-pleasing Fresnoan, scored an easy one-round kayo over his Fresno rival, Sheik Rangel, at the Oakland Auditorium.

Rangel should get wised-up, for he's through and has been for some time. It didn't take Slider much time to finish the Sheik. Chet turned the trick with a left hook to the mid-section. Rangel jumped at ten, but Referee Toby Irwin claimed it was too late.

In the semi-final, Charley Catos, 158, decisioned Rand Jackson, 160, in six hectic rounds. The boys went hammer-and-tongs throughout with the fans' approval. The decision was booed, but rightfully belonged to Catos.

Al Timmons, 180, won over Gil Mojica, 176, in six rounds. In the opener, Vepe Watson, 157, got the nod over Jimmy Simmons, 158, in four.

Another surprise finish came when Nolan Sharp, 186, Los Angeles Negro, kayoed Rodie O'Dooley, 210, returned vet, in five rounds at National Hall.

O'Dooley, a top favorite, was ahead for a few rounds, but tired because of lack of action and was an easy target for Sharp. It was a good action fight while it lasted.

Willie Brown, 186, Billy Newman's heavyweight hope, flattened Marvin Baker, 189, in one round. Brown is green, but shows plenty of ability and should headline soon. Jay O'Brien, 188, kayoed George Kennedy, 180½, in two. O'Brien, K. O. James' boy, is another prospect. Bill Lee, 144, halted Freddie Killingham, 142, in three. Young Salvatore, 148, T.K.O.'ed Joe Novoa, 149, in one.

Verne Bybee, Brishbane Ubuzzsaw, put himself on pre-war basis by scoring an easy two-round knockout over Jimmy Florita, Stockton Filipino, at the Coliseum Bowl. Bybee punched Florita handily and pummeled him until the latter was counted out. Bybee scaled 135½; Florita, 137.

Preliminaries: Willie Brown, 185, came off the canvas from a two-count to stop Eddie Reed, 218, in three rounds. Joe Guzman, 148, T.K.O.'ed Tommy Lee, 152, in four. Guzman, an amateur star, turned pro in this battle. Billy Carlisle, 138, and Billy Lee, 144, drew in four. Cleve Holt, 127, flattened Young Kid Bobo, 124, in one round.

Earl Turner, the "Earl of Richmond," got sweet revenge in his return bout with Frank Augustain, Los Angeles Mexican, by winning a ten-round decision at the Oakland Auditorium. Turner, a local gate magnet, handed Frankie a boxing lesson and won going away, before a banner crowd which paid $14,000. It was a dandy bout to watch as Turner was in A-1 shape.

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NEWS FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.
By JIM ECHOLS

AARON PERRY, local fistic sensation, banged out a ten round win over Tony Riccio, pride of Bayonne, New Jersey, in the Liberty A.C. main eventer at Uline Arena, before an estimated crowd of 3601 persons.

Only in the third and eighth rounds did this bout in any way resemble the previous draw encounter that these two boys staged last November. Perry, in better condition, definitely was a shade better than the rugged Riccio.

All three officials were unanimous in awarding the duke to the local lad in a hectic eight. Perry blasted five successive rights to Riccio's body and from then on Aaron went on to win. Perry scales 152 to Riccio's 153.

In the semi-windup, Harry Preston, 147, New York City, KO'ed Walter Johnston, 145½, Philadelphia, in 1:33 of the third. It looked as if Johnston would win this sixer, but the tide turned in Preston's favor.

Another six was a sizzling draw between Al Mobley, 141, Newark, and Doug Ratford, 139, Brooklyn. This was the best bout of the entire card. In other prelims, Ossie Rodriquez, 162½, New York City, won over Jimmy Jericho, 128, Washington, in a six, while the opening four saw B-29 Banks, 136½, Washington, winning via the KO route in 1:42 of the fourth, over Peaches Jackson, 135, Atlanta. It was a good show with an excellent attendance.

Cecil Hudson, Henry Armstrong's protege from the West Coast, won the unanimous duke over Ossie "Bulldog" Harris in Goldie Ahearn's ten-round main-eventer at Uline's Arena on January 28. Hudson was originally scheduled to go to the post with Jiggs Donahue of Philly but the District of Columbia Boxing Commission nixed that one. Then Ossie Harris was proposed. This also was tossed out by the commission due to the condition of Harris (badly overweight) in a bout with Bee Bee Washington in Washington last year.

When Harris in Pittsburgh learned of this, he immediately came to Washington and agreed to make 160 pounds for the bout. It was only the insistence of Col. Heinie Miller, chairman of the District of Columbia body, that Ossie make 160 that assured the bout of being the success it was.

The fight itself was extremely close and it could have easily been a draw. In the opener Harris carried the war to Hudson and from there on in to the tenth frame the lead see-sawed back and forth. At the end, Hudson had cuts over and under each eye and his nose had bled profusely during the bout. It was an excellent bout and should make a great re-match. Hudson came in at 155 pounds to Harris' 160 pounds.

In a six-round semi-windup, Don Lemos, 142 pounds, Bolling Field, D. C., lost to Al Victoria, 140 pounds, New York City. Mike Konnors, 128 pounds, New York City, and Filberto Osario, 125 pounds, Newark, fought to a six-round draw.

Other prelims saw Herbie Jones, 128 pounds, Washington, outpoint Eddie Hines, 123 pounds, Pittsburgh, in a pleasing five-rounder. The opener saw Joe Green, 180½ pounds, Washington, win via T.K.O. over Tommy Thompson, 170 pounds, Washington, in 2:19 of the third.

'Notes to You"—After twenty-six months overseas in England and France, a former pro, El Brookman, has returned to the civilian way of life once again. While overseas Brookman introduced Joe Louis to the troops, also refereeing many of the champ's bouts. El also fought Billy Conn in several exhibitions. Brookman's last bout here was with Fred Apostoli in October of 1941.

James J. (Jimmy) Johnston, veteran fight manager, spoke at a boxing forum at Howard University before some two hundred physical education students. He discussed boxing and its influence on the American sports public. Jimmy also voiced a prediction that Joe Louis would kayo Billy Conn when they meet in June.

While 1000 persons clamored outside of Turner's Arena for admission, Archie Moore, leading light-heavy contender, blasted Georgie Parks to the canvas to win a kayo victory in 2:20 of the first. An hour before fight time the house was sold out and the fire marshal stopped the flow of people attempting to gain admittance. Archie, in the opening minute, felt Georgie out and then let loose with the big guns, rocking Parks with a short left hook to the jaw. As he arose at the count of nine, he wobbled unsteadily trying to elude the potent punching power of Moore, but to no avail as Archie caught George with a straight right, a left hook, and another right. Parks managed to make nine but Referee Marty Gallagher stepped in to prevent any further damage. Moore weighed 170 to Parks' 189. A nineteen pound push in the weights favored Parks.

A good semi-windup featured Chico Morales, 122, Cuba, in a kayo victory over Danny Russell, 126, Philadelphia, in 2:44 of the fourth. It was a scheduled six. The prelims were all good. In a sixer, Baby Armstrong, 132, Philadelphia, upset Oscar "Atomic" Wright, 138, Washington, in a fast bout. Bobby Waters, 133, Harrisburg, won via the T.K.O. route in three over Bernie Cady, 140, Washington, when Cady suffered a badly cut eye after two rounds of furious fighting. After nearly losing his trunks in the last stanza, much to the consternation of Referee Eddie LaFond, Flattop Cummings, 142½, Washington, dropped a five-round decision to Artie Brown, 142, Washington.

The opener, scheduled for five, saw Bee Zee Washington, 148, Washington, stop Bobby Suma, 146, Annapolis, in 0:34 of the first. An excellent show; gate $6,430.00.

AT THE CENTURY A.C. OF BALTIMORE
By DAVE KREUTER

LEE OMA of Detroit, 195, had little trouble beating Jimmy Bell of Washington, D.C., 186¾, by a unanimous decision over a 10 round route before a capacity crowd of 4,272 at the Century A.C. The fans paid $11,183.50 to gain admission.

Bell, who defeated Joe Baksi in his last outing here, seemed to have the best of it for the first and second rounds, but after that, Oma's unorthodox style completely baffled him.

In the preliminaries, it was strictly a local affair.

In sixes: Joe O'Connell, 151, beat Chappie Manning, 158, by a unanimous decision while Bobby Lee, 139, drew with Billy Richardson, 136½.

In fours: Johnny Longo and Frank Lacy, two boys just discharged from the service, looked very good in winning their bouts, both by knockouts in the second heat. The former took Jimmy Cottman into camp while the latter won from Lou Philips.

In a lively curtain raiser, Mike Yuas won a unanimous decision from Don Cunningham.

In the Century Club's main attraction, Deacon Johnny Brown, 166, a local favorite, walked off with a unanimous decision over Sergeant Lou Woods, 158, of Detroit. Although the decision was unanimous all three judges agreed in their choice, the fight was exceptionally close. Going into the last round it was all over; but Brown, who had finished the ninth very strong, came on to take the tenth by a slight margin and was awarded the decision.

In a wild and wooly semi-windup, Johnny Ditto, 154, and Jesse Lang, 149, engaged in a return match. After a series of knockdowns, Ditto finally emerged the victor, knocking out his opponent in 2:58 of the final session of a six round event.

Frank Lacey, 153, who appears to be one of the best local prospects in years, won his second straight fight since his discharge from the service by taking a unanimous decision from Bob Shannon, 151.

Leslie Harris got the nod over Jimmy Riccio in a five round go, while Melvin Wade and George Christian won by knockouts over Frankie Les and Eddie Marberry in fours.

In the Century Club's feature attraction on February 4, Dorsey Lay, 136½, the Philadelphia belter, knocked out Maxie Starr, 138, of this city in the sixth heat of a ten-round go.

In the first two sessions, Lay, who was a heavy favorite, had much the better of it and was constantly landing hard blows to Starr's head and body, but in the third and fourth, it was an entirely different story. Starr seemed to have Lay on the verge of a knockout by continually pounding into him, but towards the end of the fourth Lay came back very strong and from here in until 3:55 of the sixth round he was the boss.

Frank Lacey, who is advancing with every fight, all but lambasted Johnny Ditto out of the ring in their seven-round semi-windup. The fight was stopped in the fifth round and Lacey was awarded the victory by a T.K.O.

In sixes: Joe O'Connell won from Tom Collins by a unanimous decision while Charley Milan was accomplishing the same against Lester "Cueball" Young.

Rudolph Simms won split decision over Joe Shannon in the four-round curtain raiser.

A crowd of 2,684 paid $6,968.25 to gain admission.

Archie Moore and Curtis Sheppard staged one of the greatest battles before the largest indoor crowd in Baltimore fistic history. A capacity crowd of 5,342 paid $16,472.75 to see Moore, 172½, of St. Louis Mo., win the unanimous decision over the Hatchetman, 183, of Pittsburgh, Pa., over a 12-round route.

Although Moore's boxing prowess almost completely dominated the fight, it remained for Sheppard to furnish the evening's biggest thrills, these occurring in the second and eighth rounds. After being completely baffled for the first and most of the second heats, Sheppard let loose with his haymaker, a hard right to the head, and Moore dropped to the canvas for a count of seven. In the eighth round, with both his eyes cut open and looking as if he would topple any minute, Hatchet astounded the large gathering by again landing his prize punch. Moore was up at nine. That proved to be Sheppard's last chance for victory, as Moore managed to recover from the blow and came back the stronger of the two to cop the decision.

In sixes, Billy Richardson, 138¾, won a unanimous decision over Charley Gilley, 135, while Jim Schwimmer, 199, and Carrington McNutt, 191, fought to a draw.

In fours, Melvin Wade, 149½, won from Tony Argo, 147, by a unanimous decision; and Terry Moore, 133, and Mike Yukas, 133¼, fought to a draw. In the curtain-raiser, Paul Watson, 130¾, won by a T.K.O. in the first round over Dick Manning, 134.

BOXING NEWS FROM EUROPE
By S/SGT. BUDDY GOMER

PARIS: At the Central Arena—Walter Momber, LeHavre middleweight, fought 10 rounds to a draw with Wanes.

At Cirque de Hiver, tough Omar Kouidri of Algeria, a veteran of many battles, eked out a decision over Francisco Peiro, middleweight champion claimant of Spain, over 10 rounds.

At the Palais de Glace, Omar le Noir, Negro lightweight of Paris, and the veteran Kid Marcel fought 10 rounds—no contest.

Palais de Sports fans got another good glimpse of Ray Famechon's punching prowess when he scored a two-round T.K.O. over one Lauwers. In another 10 rounder, the classy and clever Theo Medina, topnotch Paris flyweight, beat Cornelis.

At the Palais de Glace Arena, young Ray Famechon kayoed Sandu of Rumania, in but three rounds of a scheduled 10-rounder.

At the Palais de Sports: Marcel Cerdan scored a decision over the veteran but clever and crafty Edouard Tenet in 12 rounds. Cerdan had a hard time to land on the 38-year-old Tenet who was in his shell most of the time. Cerdan will have to quit dropping that left hand after every blow he throws if he ever intends to win the world title.

London: At Albert Hall, Arthur Danahar beat Omar Kouidri in 10, while Gus Foran beat Jouas of France in another 10.

In the semi Daurent Dauthille kayoed the veteran trial horse, Jean Despeaux, in two rounds. Cerdan got over 800,000 francs for his fight.

Lisbon, Portugal: The mighty-punching Marcel Cerdan, middleweight threat, journeyed down to Lisbon and kayoed one Guenur in but 2:05 of the first heat.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., BOXING NOTES
By SAM PORCELLI

THE newly organized Exchange Athletic Club, with Pete Provenzano as promoter, brought pro boxing back to Rochester for the first time in seven months when Sal Bartolo, N.B.A. featherweight titleholder, boxed Vince Dell 'Orto in a star ten rounder.

Sal romped off with nine of the ten heats, losing only one because of a low blow. The gross gate was $6,000 and the fans enjoyed the entire show including the slambang prelims.

Tony Del Gatto, New York, flattened Baudelio Valencia, Mexico, in three rounds. Freddy Patterson whipped Johnny Sheppard over the six round route, as did Alex Bogus in his six with Joe Miller. Another six saw Art Hardy defeat Bobby Giles.

The opener went to Tony Bogus who outpointed Carl Olsen in four. Promoter Provenzano hopes to continue running boxing shows on a bi-monthly basis.

The amateur bouts staged at the Elks Club continue to draw capacity houses. Johnny Burba, the matchmaker, would like to hear from amateur boxers, managers, trainers or clubs having amateur teams for intercity meets. Burba can be reached at the Elks Club.

Gym Jottings: Nello Nucelli, a great lightweight prospect, is back in training at the Elks Gym after more than four years in the service. . . . Little Ross Virgo, kid brother of Johnny, is also hailed as a great prospect. . . . Johnny Rowe, who won a fleet championship while in the Navy, is back in mufti. . . . Mart Gagie, local sports writer, is doing a grand boosting job for boxing.

Here are the results of some of the better amateur fights: Ross Virgo beat Connie Thies, Johnny Rowe copped from Joe Pieniazek, Bruce Foote defeated Phil Avino, Billy Foley outpointed Ray Ellison, Johnny Rowe lost to Carl Lowman. In a later bout, Ross Virgo trounced Cleveland Jackson, Sammy Snapper won from Tony LaSora, Billy Foley licked Tony Rhodes, and Sammy Butera conquered Eddie Wright.

Fighters wishing to show in or around Rochester would do well to contact the writer at 103 S. Union Street, Rochester. All newsstands carry THE RING and you can get your copy on the first of the month.

Servo the Fighter of the Month

By THE RING EDITOR

BY VIRTUE of his knockout victory over Freddie Cochrane from whom he won the world welterweight title, Marty Servo gained the distinction of being named THE RING'S Fighter of the Month for January. In addition, he won THE RING'S championship belt which will be awarded him in a few weeks.

Archie Moore, the fighter who has thus far made the best comeback of all who have tried their hand at it, is THE RING'S second choice. Jimmy Johnston's star light-heavyweight, who looms as the most logical opponent for Gus Lesnevich in a world title bout, added two more sturdy victims to his list when he outpointed Curtis Sheppard in two rounds and knocked out Georgie Parks in one.

In the heavyweight division, there is a mad scramble on for a post near the top rung of the ladder now that Joe Louis and Billy Conn are back in harness and the activity of the division will be at its peak before the summer months roll by. Lee Oma and Jimmy Bivins are keeping their names before the public. Lee gained two good victories during the month when he outpointed Jimmy Bell in ten and Phil Muscato, a highly rated light-heavyweight; and Bivins stopped Johnny Haynes in two rounds and beat the highly-touted Billy Smith in ten. Jersey Joe Wolcott continued his victorious streak by stopping Johnny Allen.

Although his knockout of Nate Bolden in the second round was roundly booed by a sell-out gathering at the Philadelphia Arena, Billy Fox earned the third ranking position among the light-heavyweights, with only Moore and Marshall above him. This youngster, who only recently was discharged from the army, gained his thirty-seventh consecutive knockout at the expense of Bolden, who failed to exhibit his true fighting qualities against his opponent. It was Bolden's lack of fighting courage that brought on the cat-calls and due credit must be given Fox for his performance.

Phil Muscato, though he lost to Lee Oma, did not suffer in prestige in the lower division.

Tony Zale, approaching the time when he will defend his world middleweight title, is doing well in his tuneup battles. He added Tony Gillo and Oscar Boyd to his knockout victims. Holman Williams and Rocky Graziano, Marcel Cerdan and Maurice Lockman, ranking middleweights, continued to show what is necessary to keep them among the elite. Marcel gained two victories; Graziano won a thrilling bout from Sonny Horne and Lockman pounded out two triumphs. Jake LaMotta, who last month held down the Number One post as challenger, was idle during the past month because of illness.

Ray Robinson continues to hold the challenger's post in the welterweight division, a position that has been his for a long time. He hopes there will be no obstacle in his path when the time arrives for Servo to fulfill his contract with Sugar Ray on May 12, when Ray hopes to get his long-awaited chance at the crown. Jimmy Doyle, the Coast boy who has been trying to induce the big shots of the division to meet him, has jumped a few pegs and now rates next to Robinson because of the idleness of Tippy Larkin. Beau Jack and Johnny Greco, who tied in their Garden bout, at which the third largest indoor gate was grossed, follow Doyle. Cochrane is given a complimentary position, pending his announcement about his future.

Bob Montgomery, New York's world champion lightweight, has regained his top position. A newcomer to the division, Vic Patrick, the best Australian fighter at the weight, is allotted fifth place. Patrick is both light and welter king of Australia, and according to competent Americans who have seen him in action, he can hold his own against our best in either class.

The same persons speak in extremely glowing terms of Eddie Miller, the Australian featherweight champion. They say he can lick our best and should be given a high rating, and since those whose judgment I have sought are outstanding judges of good fighting men, Miller takes his place in the featherweight ranks among the first ten.

Pep leads the division with Bartolo and Terranova behind him. Then comes Graves.

There are only a few minor changes in the other two classes in which there was very little activity.

Here are the results of the leading fights of the month:

The heavyweight bouts:

Lee Oma outpointed Jimmy Bell, 10; outpointed Phil Muscato, 10. Jimmy Bivins knocked out Johnny Haynes, 2; outpointed Billy Smith, 10. Jersey Joe Wolcott knocked out Johnny Allen, 3. Mack Parshay knocked out John Hubbard, 4. O'Dell Riley outpointed Clayton Worlds, 10. O'Dell lost to Nate Bolden, 10. Harry Berntsen knocked out Johnny Davis, 4. Davis kayoed by Onelio Agramonte, 1. Noland Sharp knocked out Rodie O'Dooley, 5. Sharp lost to Tommy Garland, 10. Garland outpointed Jack Butler, 6. Garland knocked out Johnny Donnelly, 5. Art McAlpine outpointed Clent Conway, 8. Bill Weinberg outpointed J. D. Turner, 10.

Frankie Poreda outpointed Cliff Keorkle, 10; outpointed Dan Merritt, 10. Pat Comiskey outpointed Johnny White, 10. Gene Felton knocked out Don Brouillard, 3. Joe Hudson knocked out Johnny Ebarb, 5. Hudson knocked out by Wee Willie Williams, 7. Art Ramsey knocked out Jerry Berthiaume, 9.

Ken Shaw outpointed George James, 8. Ted Nichols outpointed Tommy Woodward, 8. Tommy Gomez knocked out Big Ben Moroz, 6.

Robin Tiny Lee knocked out Bill McClure, 2; knocked out Tiger Sullivan, 2. Al (Hal) Glassman outpointed Jimmy White, 6; outpointed Ace Clark, 6. Cleo Everett knocked out Ralph Ivins, 8. John Donnelly knocked out Lowell Strong, 6.

Billy Barrow outpointed Ralph DeJohn, 10; outpointed Mack Parshay, 8. Bob Nestell knocked out Charley Johnson, 6. Al (Big Boy) Brown knocked out Leroy Evans, 6.

Tony Bosnich knocked out Roman Starr, 1. Jack Butler outpointed Jess McGowan, 4. McGowan outpointed George Edwards, 4. Dave Johnston drew with Packy Paul, 6. Gib Jones outpointed Billy Jackson, 8.

Jack Conway knocked out Johnny Brewer, 1. Conway knocked out by Tony Musto, 1. Ted Walters outpointed Ernie Petretti, 4. Petretti lost to Harold Raskin, 4. Petretti knocked out by Red Applegate, 1. Raskin outpointed Petretti, 4. Applegate outpointed Steve Ketchel, 8. Tony deMicco outpointed Jimmy Crawford, 4; outpointed Johnny Willard, 4.

Johnny Melko knocked out Young Lefty, 3; outpointed Steve Ketchel, 6. Ketchel knocked out Jackie Davis, 1. Ketchel knocked out Johnny Melko, 4. Melko outpointed Tommy Doyle, 6. Doyle knocked out Al Tumas, 2. Doyle knocked out Joe Brooks, 1. Jackie Davis knocked out Herb Colby, 3. Colby knocked out Eddie DeMarco, 1. Colby knocked out Joe Brooks, 2.

Henry Burak outpointed Noel Reid, 6. Jerry McSwain knocked out Albin Small, 2.

Willie Brown knocked out Marvin Baker, 1;

"THE RING'S" RATINGS FOR THE MONTH

Ending February 12, 1946

Heavyweights (Over 175 pounds)	Light-Heavyweights (Not exceeding 175 pounds)	Middleweights (Not exceeding 160 pounds)	Welterweights (Not exceeding 147 pounds)
World's Champion Joe Louis	World's Champion Gus Lesnevich	World's Champion Tony Zale	World's Champion Marty Servo
1—Billy Conn	Archie Moore	Jake LaMotta	Ray Robinson
2—Jimmy Bivins	Lloyd Marshall	Holman Williams	Jimmy Doyle
3—Lee Oma	Billy Fox	Rocky Graziano	Beau Jack
4—Tami Mauriello	Phil Muscato	Marcel Cerdan	Johnny Greco
5—Joe Wolcott	Jack Johnson	Steve Belloise	Tippy Larkin
6—Bruce Woodcock	Walter Woods	Charley Burley	Tommy Bell
7—Joe Baksi	Billy Smith	Bee Bee Washington	Sammy Angott
8—Elmer Ray	Georgie Kochan	Marcus Lockman	Ernie Roderick
9—Arturo Godoy	Joe Kahut	Sonny Horne	Freddie Cochrane
10—Freddie Schott	Nate Bolden	Wildcat George Henry	Arthur Danahar

Lightweights (Not exceeding 135 pounds)	Featherweights (Not exceeding 126 pounds)	Bantamweights (Not exceeding 118 pounds)	Flyweights (Not exceeding 112 pounds)
World's Champion International Title vacant	World's Champion Willie Pep	World's Champion Manuel Ortiz	World's Champion Jackie Paterson
1—Bob Montgomery	Sal Bartolo (N.B.A. Champion)	Benny Goldberg	Joe Curran
2—Willie Joyce	Phil Terranova	Tony Olivera	Mickey Hill
3—Allie Stolz	Jackie Graves	Luis Castillo	Rinty Monagahan
4—Chalky Wright	Eddie Miller	Cliff Anderson	Seaman Terry Allen
5—Vic Patrick	Miguel Acevedo	Theo Medina	Bunty Doran
6—Ike Williams	Al Phillips	Luis Galvani	Mickey Hill
7—Freddie Dawson	Charley Cabey Lewis	Simon Vergera	Tommy Burney
8—John Thomas	Carlos Chavez	Sammy Reynolds	Alec Murphy
9—Enrique Bolanos	Nel Tarleton	Jackie Jurich	Theo Medina
10—Dave Castilloux	Al Phillips	Mickey Carr	Georgie Parkes

knocked out Eddie Reed, 3. Baker outpointed Jay O'Brien, 4. Joe Loomis knocked out Billy Ryan, 1. Jor Yorfino knocked out Johnny Dasher, 3.

Jack Conroy outpointed Herb Jones, 4. Ben Benware knocked out George Boner, 5. Boner drew with Joe Festa, 4. Dave Edwards outpointed Carlton Perry, 4; outpointed Jess McGowan, 4. Doug Ellison drew with Jack Hannon Porter, 6.

Duke Mitchell knocked out Frank Thomas, 1. Jim Schwimmer drew with Carrington McNutt, 6. Joe Stepka outpointed Ira Hughes, 4. Jimmy Howard knocked out by Benny Bartle, 1. Howard kayoed Bob Bedley, 1.

Art Swiden knocked out Bud Columbus, 2. Roy Evans knocked out Louis Cobarruviaux. Tommy Bivins outpointed Babe Beattle, 8. Art (Brown) Bomber knocked out Tony Cira, 1. Ted Morrison outpointed Roland Taylor, 4.

Jimmy Bivins outpointed Yancey Henry, 10. Howard Thompson outpointed Big Boy Baker, 10. John Pretzie knocked out J. D. Turner, 6.

Jim Davis knocked out Herb Colby, 2. Sol Russo knocked out Johnny Dasher, 2.

Johnny Melko outpointed Tommy Doyle, 6. Marvin Baker outpointed Eddie Keller, 6. Martin Goldberg knocked out Jackie Louis, 2. Ernie Pope knocked out Jesse James, 2.

Here are the light-heavyweight bouts:

Archie Moore outpointed Curtis Sheppard, 12; kayoed Georgie Parks, 1. Billy Fox kayoed Nate Bolden, 2. Billy Duncan outpointed Bulldog Griffin, 10; knocked out Luis Gonzales, 9. Duncan lost to Colion Chaney, 10. Griffin knocked out Thunderbolt Carl, 5.

Billy Smith knocked out Buddy Millard, 4. Jack Chase outpointed Bobby Zander, 10. John Henry Eskew drew with Harry Daniels, 10. Eskew outpointed Al Evans, 10. Eskew knocked out Daniels, four.

Doug Brown knocked out Reg Layton, 2. Oscar Goode knocked out Jimmy Long, 4; knocked out Frank Thomas, 3. Thomas knocked out by Freddie Schott, 2. Frenchy Beaudoin knocked out Tony Morando, 2.

Jack Hill outpointed Bennie Droll, 8. Dave Edwards outpointed Carlton Perry, 4. Tommy Sullivan knocked out Jackie Caparell, 7. Hezzie Williams knocked out Leroy Scales, 7.

Lloyd Gibson outpointed Tommy Charles, 8. Victor Bahan knocked out Larry Robinson, 1. Mel Workman outpointed Buddy Thomas, 10; knocked out Dave Griffin, 1.

Andy (Buster) Pepe knocked out Steve Kish, 2. Gene Simmons outpointed Chicken Gaines, 8. Charley Banks knocked out Larry Gudgill, 8. Frankie Best outpointed Buddy Patton, 8. Tommy Woodward lost to Ted Nichols, 8. Woodward outpointed Gib Jones, 8.

Al Timmons outpointed Gil Mojica, 6. Mojica outpointed Sammy Hughes, 10. Bob Ford outpointed Jack Von, 4. Von knocked out Bobby Jones, 2. Jimmy Forman knocked out Billy Beauford, 1. Beauford knocked out by Jimmy Evans, 1. Beauford knocked out by Carmen Casale, 1.

Benny McCombs knocked out Collins Brown, 1; knocked out Leroy Scales, 2. Joe Popeski knocked out Jack Lyons, 6. Larry Watson outpointed Rufus Knighton, 6. Watson lost to Willie Moore, 5. Watson knocked out by Walter Smith, 6. Moore knocked out Young Johnson, 4.

Davey Feld knocked out Al King, 2; outpointed Charley Dodson, 6. Don Garner knocked out Jimmy Howard, 3. Regis O'Brien outpointed Bryce Allen, 4. Gene Farland outpointed Al Pinel, 4; knocked out Pat Davis, 3; knocked out Joe Brooks, 1. Harold Christensen outpointed Tom McKeagney, 6. Christensen lost to Eddie Rossi, 6.

Buddy Thomas knocked out Dickie Bird, 3. Thomas and Billy Kingsland, no contest, 3. Kingsland lost to Tommy Smith, 4. Tony Morando knocked out Jackie Scott, 2. Jackie Cranford knocked out Jack Dumont, 2.

Maynard Jones outpointed Tommy Ruth, 6. Ron Whalley outpointed Bill McFarthing, 4. John Turner outpointed Benny Bartle, 4. Bartle knocked out Jimmy Howard, 1. Bartle knocked out Regis O'Brien, 2. Turner outpointed Billy Heaps, 4.

Jimmy Maxwell knocked out Aaron Milner, 2. Maxwell kayoed Milner, 1. Maxwell kayoed Billy Beauford, 3. Billy Pappas knocked out Booker Robinson, 3; outpointed Roughhouse Finney, 6. Bobby Dare knocked out Nelson Hawkins, 5; knocked out Harold Thomas, 2. Thomas knocked out Harold Reiss, 1. Thomas lost to Lucky Jordan, 4. Thomas outpointed Young Johnston, 5.

Joe Petrin knocked out Ansel Green, 3. Tommy Burns outpointed Eddie Turner, 6. Turner knocked out by Bob Ryan, 4. Jack Garrett knocked out Tony Batres, 1; outpointed Big Boy Buttrom, 4. Bobby Jones knocked out Nat Hines, 2.

Frisco James knocked out Bobby Nora, 3. James lost to Jimmy Martin, 4. Vince Gigante outpointed George Segura, 6. Segura lost to Steve Kish, 4. Kish knocked out by Luther McMillan, 4. McMillan knocked out Jimmy Forman, 2. McMillan outpointed Mitchell Roberts, 4.

Bob Amos outpointed Sonny Boy Taylor, 4. Joe Green knocked out Tommy Thompson, 4. Bobby Conway knocked out Steve Worcester, 1. Doc Bee knocked out George El Paso, 3. Willie Moore outpointed Jeff Hampton, 6. Prentiss Hall outpointed Nathan Logan, 6.

Billy Fox knocked out Nate Bolden, 2. Warren Petersen knocked out Oscar Goode, 4. Prentiss Hall knocked out Solly Zalter, 5. Andy Pepe outpointed Harry Gary, 6.

Jimmy Moore outpointed Robert Leadbetter, 6. Al Spaulding outpointed Arthur Jeter, 4.

Prospects of the Month

Heavyweight—Harold Raskin, Chicago, Ill.
Light-heavyweight — Andy "Buster" Peppe, New York City
Middleweight—Roy Miller, Kansas City, Mo.
Welterweight—Sammy Adragna, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Lightweight — Tony Antognoli, New York City
Featherweight—Fabela Chavez, California
Bantamweight—Vince Lauria, Camden, New Jersey
Flyweight—Black Pico, Cuba

Middleweights fared as follows:

Tony Zale kayoed Tony Gillo, 5; kayoed Oscar Boyd, 3. Marcus Lockman outpointed Ellis Stewart, 10; outpointed Frankie Wills, 10.

Marcel Cerdan outpointed Edouard Tenet, 12. Cerdan knocked out Guenur, 1. Laurient Dauthille outpointed Jean Despeaux, 10. Walter Momber drew with Wanes, 10. Artie Levine knocked out Billy Walker, 9.

Holman Williams knocked out Butch Joe Lynch, 3; knocked out Aaron Tiger Wade, 4. Rocky Graziano outpointed George Sonny Horne, 10.

Deacon Nathan Logan outpointed Curly Denton, 8. Cowboy Ruben Shank knocked out Irish Mickey Doyle, 6; and drew with Ray Miller, 10. George Elliott outpointed Tommy Hunter, 12.

Max Cameron outpointed Tommy Colteaux, 12. Al (Red) Priest outpointed Fritzie Zivic, 10; knocked out Bobby Berger, 2. Berger lost to Joey LaMotta, 8. Paulie Peters knocked out Fitzie Fitzpatrick, 8.

Dave Sands outpointed Al Walker, 12. Alex Buxton knocked out Les Sloan, 5.

Max Cameron outpointed Tommy Colteaux, 12. Buxton knocked out Vic Colteaux, 5. Ritchie Sands knocked out Jack Brander, 3. Bob Peters outpointed Al Walker, 12.

Buddy Farrell outpointed Jimmy Mills, 10. Mills outpointed Burl Charity, 10. Farrell outpointed Johnny Johnson, 8. Frankie Gimbel outpointed Jimmy Hayden, 10.

Steve Belloise won disqualification from Paul Altman, 4. Charley Hayes knocked out Buster Peaks, 8. Bee Bee Washington outpointed Indian Gomez, 10.

Joe Blackwood outpointed Izzy Jannazzo, 10. Vinnie Rossano outpointed Johnny Keys, 8. Buddy Rose outpointed by Baxley Hardy, 10.

Danny Martin outpointed Johnny Ryan, 10. Willard Buckless outpointed Maurice Cloutier, 8. Cloutier knocked out Jack Singer, 1. Cloutier outpointed Joe Gans, 10.

Bethelmy Serge outpointed Dynamite Jim, 10. Joe Miggins outpointed Al McLean, 3. Al Davis outpointed Joe Alvin, 6. Jose Basora outpointed Zerbo Iguama, 10. Larry Fontana outpointed Johnny Jones, 8. Sparky Reynolds outpointed Jimmy Crow, 8.

Roy Miller outpointed Ray Spurlock, 10. Spurlock outpointed Cliff Beckett, 8. Miller drew with Cowboy Ruben Shank, 10. Kenny Watkins outpointed Allen Arnett, 8.

Coley Welch outpointed Jerry Fiorello, 10. Fiorello lost to Coolidge Miller, 10. Ramsey McKnight outpointed Joey Hatfield, 8. Vinnie Vines knocked out Freddie Graham, 5.

Bert Lytell knocked out Cyril Gittens, 2. Lytell lost to Walter (Popeye) Woods, 10. Ossie (Bulldog) Harris knocked out Perry Mason, 5. Johnny Finazzo drew with Saint Paul, 10.

Deacon Johnny Brown outpointed Lou Woods, 10. Woods lost to Wildcat George Henry, 10. Henry lost to Mario Ochoa, 10. Louis Wise outpointed Bob Castro, 8.

Vepe Watson outpointed Jimmy Simmons, 4. Simmons knocked out by Cleve Kelly, 2. Les Arterbridge outpointed Bob Hawkins, 4; knocked out Willie Wright, 1; Arterbridge lost to Bob Castro, 4. Rudolph Sims knocked out Leonard Worley, 3; outpointed Bob Shannon, 4.

Hub Parker knocked out Mickey Connolly, 4; outpointed Guy Delroy, 4. knocked out Willie Jackson, 4; outpointed Roger Bisson, 8. Russ Baxter knocked out Eddie Sparks, 2; outpointed Jimmy Pettie, 6. Baxter knocked out by Clem Fitzpatrick, 5. Sparks lost to Gene Buffalo, 6. Buffalo outpointed Benny Davis, 8. Pettie outpointed Roland Gomes, 6.

Paul Darby outpointed Ulysses Johnson, 4. Arnold Deer outpointed Johnny Gulley, 6. Gulley knocked out Rutherford Wallace, 3. Henry Chuchollek knocked out Jimmy Tabbs, 1. Chuchollek outpointed Tom Brown, 4.

Chuck Ross drew with Jimmy Boggs, 4. Art Lind knocked out Ray Moore, 3. Carl Olsen knocked out Obie Wooten, 1; knocked out Vepe Watson, 1; knocked out Pedro Jiminez, 4.

Eddie Pagan outpointed Nelson Hawkins, 6. Joe O'Connell outpointed Chappy Manning, 6; outpointed Tom Collins, 6.

Ruby Roberts knocked out George Parsons, 3. Roberts outpointed Carman Sipello, 6. Parsons knocked out by George Frederico, 4. Roberts outpointed Johnny Sheppard, 6.

Art (Honey) Robinson outpointed Tut Tabor, 6. Carman DeJohn outpointed Henry Jackson, 6; knocked out Billy Beauford, 2; knocked out Henry Jackson, 1. Joey Albanese outpointed Young Brown Bomber, 6. Bomber knocked out Alex Rebark, 1. Bomber outpointed Tony Pedro, 6. Bomber outpointed Tony Petro, 6. Albanese knocked out Jack Singer, 3. Bomber knocked out Eddie Rossi, 3.

Bobby Dance knocked out Benny Davis, 2. Davis lost to Leon Sheppard, 4. Johnny Taylor knocked out Jimmy Gresham, 3. Johnny Mara knocked out Jimmy Davis, 3; outpointed Roland Gomes, 6; outpointed Freddie Fields, 4; knocked out Jimmy Davis, 5. Mara drew with Eddie LaTourneau, 10. Gomez knocked out Johnny Prance, 1. Mara lost to Tony Petro, 8. Mara lost to Jimmy Dunn, 4.

Joe Guido outpointed Johnny Jostick, 4. Milo Theodorescu outpointed Patsy Zoccano, 6. Van Kirk knocked out Joseph Barrie, 1; knocked out Al Marco, 1.

Norman Perigny knocked out Joe Tanguay, 3. Perigny knocked out Ansel Green, 1. Bill Landry outpointed Mike Gagnon, 6. Landry knocked out by Tom McKeagney, 4.

Stanley (Choo Choo) Derr knocked out Bobby Ross, 3. Clarence Wilkinson outpointed Freddie Flores, 6; outpointed Gene Roberts, 8. Arthur Hardy outpointed Bobby Giles, 6; outpointed Johnny Eagle, 8.

Tony Del Gatto knocked out Baudelio Valencia, 4; outpointed Harry Gary, 6. Lee Black outpointed Antonio Carmona, 6. Carmona knocked out Joey Murphy, 1. Black knocked out Arthur Shepard, 5.

Chubby Wright knocked out Jimmy Green, 5; outpointed Earl Lumpkin, 6. Wright lost to Pete Mead, 5. Dickie Bird outpointed Jumbo Smith, 4. Al LaBrecque knocked out Jack Leonard, 2; knocked out Johnny Abbott, 1.

Nate Gibson drew with Connie Smith, 4. Smith knocked out Paulie Watkins, 2. Frankie Russell knocked out Louis Mosely, 1; knocked out Billy Turner, 2; outpointed Johnny Taylor, 4; drew with Connie Smith, 4. Turner knocked out Clint Campbell, 4. Russell outpointed Bill Peterson, 4.

Len Johnson outpointed Ozzie Nelson, 6. Wilson Mackey draw with Bob Hunter, 4. Jimmy Boggs outpointed Ray Moore, 4. Johnny Ditto knocked out Jesse Lang, 6. Jimmy Davis knocked out Don Anderson, 3.

George Slater outpointed Charley Marshall, 6. Slater knocked out by Howard Bennett, 6. Art Tatta outpointed Dave Carver, 6; outpointed Harry Gary, 6. Johnny Harvey outpointed Lew Perez, 6.

Mitchell Roberts knocked out Jose Torres, 2. Charlie McPherson outpointed Melvin Hawkins, 4. McPherson lost to J. C. Wilkins, 6. Hawkins knocked out Horace Bailey, 1. McPherson lost to George "Red" Doty, 10. Hawkins lost to Ernie Butler, 6. Hawkins outpointed Jim McVey, 4. Wilkins knocked out Dave Carver, 2.

Vic Chambers knocked out Jay Paganelli, 6. Johnny Johnson outpointed Eddie Rossi, 6; outpointed Harry Daniels, 4. Irish Bob Flannigan outpointed Al Pinel, 6. Flannigan knocked out Tony Shumway, 6. Flannigan knocked out Johnny Mara, 3. Pinel lost to Al Barbosa, 6. Flannigan knocked out Norman Perigny, 1. Barbosa drew with Frank Feener, 8.

Jimmy Richards knocked out Frankie Calzo, 1. Calzo drew with Bob Guest, 4. Johnny Monroe drew with Paul Blanks, 6. Blanks outpointed Bobby Maloney, 10. Blanks outpointed Robert Fowler, 10.

Jimmy (Top Row) Allen knocked out Tunerio Lopez, 2. Allen knocked out Art Lind, 10. Horace Bailey knocked out Howard Hamlin, 2.

Bill Burns outpointed Mick Knowles, 4. Jim Murphy outpointed Al Purdy, 4. Dick Hampshire outpointed Knowles, 4. Joe Dallo knocked out Lee Carroll, 2.

Art Saxell outpointed Joe St. Peter, 6; outpointed Lew Perez, 6. Georgie Humes knocked out Bobby Hicks, 3. Hicks drew with Hugh Stell, 4. Humes knocked out Bob Stroud, 4. Humes drew with Melvin Knight, 6.

Len Johnson outpointed Ozzie Lewis, 4. Green Leek knocked out Billy O'Brien, 3. Leek drew with Jimmy Campbell, 4. Charlie Chaney drew with William Cummings, 6; knocked out Bill Conklin, two.

Rudolph Sims knocked out Leonard Worley, 2. Georgie Williams outpointed Joe Evans, 6. Billy Evans outpointed Lionel Johnson, 4. Johnson knocked out Jimmie Presha, 2.

Len Wadsworth outpointed Jimmy King, 6. Charlie Lagor knocked out Ray Iamondi, 1. Iamondi knocked out Phil Mooney, 4. Pete Mead knocked out Joey Richards, 3.

Bob Hart outpointed Harry Hall, 6. Hart outpointed Hall, 6. Teddy O'Dell outpointed Milton Lattimore, 4. O'Dell lost to Karo Smith, 4. Jimmy Coleman outpointed Francis Ogg, 6.

Ted Drew knocked out Billy Letourneau, 2. Henry Johnson outpointed Laverne Roach, 6; outpointed George Smith, 6. Willie Butler outpointed Bobby Silva, 4.

Walker McCombs outpointed Mickey McCaully, 6. Tony Pinto outpointed Cooper White, 6. Jimmy McDonough outpointed by Patsy Gall, 10.

Pat Cubiss knocked out Frank Edwards, 3. Albert Finch knocked out Billy Cottrell, 5. Meyer Siegel outpointed Johnny King, 6. King knocked out Teddy Wilson, 3.

Benny Thomas knocked out Phil Mooney, 3. Buddy Brown outpointed Jimmy Sauer, 6; outpointed Al Pinel, 6. M. C. Daniels outpointed Percy Butler, 4. Chuck Rouselle outpointed Les

Tennessee, 4. Tommy Ruth knocked out Harry Bishop, 1.

Nick Melli outpointed Nat Hutchins, 4. Jimmy Dunn knocked out Ollie Wilson, 1. Eddie Veal outpointed Richard Blackman, 5.

Charley Catos outpointed Cecilia Lozado, 6. Ted Newsome knocked out Joey Richards, 4. Newsome lost to Johnny O'Brien, 4. Ralph Hughes knocked out Rio Martinez, 4. Johnny Dupree outpointed Charles Samara, 6.

Tom Nadeau knocked out Mickey Colton, 1. Eddie Green knocked out Paul Nelson, 1. Eddie O'Neil outpointed Willie Peters, 4. Solly Zalter knocked out Fernand Demers, 4.

Al Evans knocked out Billy Tordiglione, 2. Len Wadsworth knocked out Stanley Derr, 4. Joey DeJohn won disqualification from Joe Ellington, 2.

Vinnie Vines outpointed Harry Daniels, 10. Al (Red) Priest knocked out Joe Blackwood, 8. Saint Paul outpointed Johnny Finazzo, 10. Buddy Best drew with Wade Allison, 10. Billy (Chicken) Thompson knocked out Joe (Butch) Lynch, 4. Paul Darby knocked out Ed Parquette, 2. Carmen Sipello drew with Walker Coombs, 6. George Frederico knocked out Tony Pinto, 3. Milton Lattimore knocked out Lee Abrams, 4. Art Saxell outpointed Johnny King, 6. Tommy Merrill knocked out Jesse Lang, 3. Joe Albina outpointed Lee Black, 6.

Bee Bee Washington drew with Jimmy Mandell, 10. Bob Stroud outpointed Georgie Humes, 6. Elmer Carson outpointed Curly Denton, 6. Don Anderson outpointed Billy Hilderbrand, 6. Joe Evans outpointed Chappy Manning, 6. Billy Fuller knocked out Al Mell, 1. Benny Thomas outpointed Sully Baer, 4.

Dave Sands knocked out Tommy Colteaux, 1. Jack Kirkham outpointed Jackie Daniels, 12. Joe Upton knocked out Uke Carter, 5. Buddy Rose outpointed Arnold (Blackie) Deer, 10. Al Barbosa outpointed Eddie Ellis, 10. Johnny Best knocked out Doug Jones, 7. Tommy Merrill outpointed Mike deStefano, 6. Sam Barodi knocked out Jackie Gaines, 4. Bill Rynne knocked out Tommy Burns, three.

The welterweight contests:

Marty Servo knocked out Freddie Cochrane, 4, for welterweight title. Omar (Kid) Kouidri outpointed Degouve, 12; outpointed Francisco Peiro, 10; lost to Arthur Danahar, 10.

Vic Patrick knocked out Tommy Burns, 9, for Australian welterweight title. Beau Jack and Johnny Greco drew, 10.

Sugar Ray Robinson knocked out Dave Clark, 2; knocked out Tony Riccio, 4. Jimmy Doyle outpointed Joey Reddick, 10. Aaron Perry outpointed Tony Riccio, 10; lost to Joe Curcio, 10. Don Lee beat Jackie Ryan, 10.

Joe Legon knocked out Charley Padalino, 2. George Costner knocked out Random (Tip) Ramsey, 9; knocked out Jack Larrimore, 1.

Al (Armand) Michaud knocked out Al Wooster, 3; outpointed Billy Napper, 8. Napper lost to Johnny Woods, 6. Michaud knocked out Gordon Johnson, 2. Wooster knocked out by Frankie Conti, 4. Woods knocked out Young Corbett, 4. Billy Grier outpointed Chuck Hirst.

Kid Azteca knocked out Kid Filipino, 8. Vic Colteaux knocked out Jackie Daniels, 10. Darcy Donohue knocked out Alby Price, 3.

Lenny (Boom Boom) Mancini outpointed Torpedo Reed, 8. Jimmy Steele outpointed Young Spargo, 12. Kev McCarthy outpointed Jack Kane, 8. Jimmy Dundee outpointed Clem Sands, 12. Lance Geyer outpointed Vern Heinrich, 12.

Freddie Archer outpointed Joey Peralta, 10. Archer outpointed by Chuck Taylor, 8. Lennox Dingle outpointed Ernie "Cat" Robinson, 8.

Irish Tommy Moyer knocked out Johnny Suarez, 8. Ernie Forte outpointed Beverly Carter, 10. Louis Flyer outpointed Dave Riley, 8; knocked out Jimmy Stewart, 1.

Joey Falco outpointed Billy O'Connor, 8. Neva Esparza outpointed Cleo Shans, 10; outpointed Santa Bucca, 10. Maxie Berger outpointed Vincent LaSalva, 8.

Tony Chavez knocked out Rene DeLeon, 1. Earl Turner outpointed Frankie Augustain, 10. Bob Simmons outpointed Billy Garrett, 10. Charley Fusari knocked out Panama Al Brown, 6.

Frankie Ross outpointed Sammy Mammone, 10. Chuck Hunter outpointed Sidney Miller, 10. Eddie Brickner outpointed McCoy Jones, 8. McCoy Jones lost to Bobby Winters, 6.

Manny Gomez knocked out Red Bryant, 5; outpointed Joe Torres. Pat Giordano outpointed Ben Evans, 10.

Cecil Hudson outpointed Ossie Harris, 10. Hudson lost to Cocoa Kid, 10. Henry Jordan and Lou Fortuna drew, 8.

Henry Hall outpointed Johnny Watters, 8. Eric Boon knocked out Cyril Wills, 1. Boon knocked out Paddy Bergin, 2. Harry Lazar drew with Harry Davis, 6. Harry Silver outpointed Tommy Foxall, 6. Lew Ford outpointed Ernie Ward, 6. Jake Kilrain knocked out George Dilks, 4.

Phil Palmer outpointed Rudy Campa, 8. Sammy Adragna knocked out Johnny Abbott, 7. Frank Saul outpointed Duncan Blair, 3. Jonathan Kennedy outpointed Black Dynamite, 6. Young Zivic knocked out Young Joe Louis, 4. Harry Payne drew with Young Joe Louis, 6. Dynamite Kid knocked out Black Dynamite, 9.

Fritzie Zivic outpointed by Al "Red" Priest. Zivic lost to O'Neill Bell, 10. Roger Burke outpointed Buster Beaupre, 8. Tony Vero outpointed Leon Kennedy, 10; outpointed Larney Moore, 10.

Bob Ferris outpointed Edgar Robinson, 6. Leo Sweeney outpointed Kelly Jackson, 4. Jackson outpointed Ernesto Lopez, 6. Freddie Patterson outpointed Nick Restano, 4; outpointed Billy Hilderbrand, 6.

Stanley Berg knocked out John Ortega, 2. Ortega knocked out by Don Wallenfang, 1. Tommy James drew with Jimmy Crow, 5. James outpointed Charley Wells, 5. Bill Foster outpointed Larry Ray, 4.

Jimmy Motley knocked out George Hairston, 2. Motley kayoed by Art Cooper, 4. Howard Brodt knocked out Pete McNamara, 1; outpointed Whelan Douglas, 6. Joe Girolamo outpointed Elbin Calamado, 4. Girolamo lost to Ralph Costello, 4. Danny Ruggero outpointed Sammy Chietera, 4. Chietera outpointed Tony Burgos, 4.

Vic Belanger outpointed Aster Rice, 6. Jimmy (Bud) Scouten outpointed Carl Olsen, 6. Darcy Donohue outpointed Frankie Langridge, 4.

Mick Marley knocked out Laurie Barroa, 3. Harry Preston knocked out Walter Johnson, 3; knocked out Al Simon, 3; outpointed Baby Armstrong, 6.

Eddie Ancrum outpointed Dolly King, 6; knocked out Cy Mussinelli, 3; knocked out by Joe Torrens, 2. Torrens lost to Russ Hawkins, 6. Ancrum knocked out by Gabbie Poulin, 3.

Jackie Armitage outpointed Johnny Worthey, 4. Al Deacon outpointed Tony Petro, 4.

Bobby Pryor outpointed Joe Gillis, 6. Gillis knocked out by Johnny Priest, 3. Pryor knocked out Jack Singer, 3. Singer knocked out by Ceferino Bronco, 1. Garcia outpointed Tony Petro, 8. Frank Lacey knocked out Lew Phillips, 2. Lacey outpointed Bob Shannon, 4. Lacey knocked out Johnny Ditto, 5.

Willie Odom knocked out LeRoy Greenwood, 1. Greenwood knocked out by Mike DeCosmo, 1. Odom lost to Vic Pignataro, 6.

Irving Palefsky outpointed Baudelio Valencia, 6; outpointed Bobby Cummings, 6; outpointed Baudelio Valencia, 6; outpointed Benny Davis, 6.

Johnny DeMaio outpointed Arthur Shepard, 4; knocked out Jerry Heimowitz, 3; knocked out Teddy Wilson, 1.

Frankie Daniels outpointed Nick Restano, 6; outpointed Dudley DeJean, 6. Ray Laurie knocked out Joe Rogers, 1; knocked out Johnny Smith, 1; outpointed Larry Whitney, 6.

Jimmy Troy outpointed Carter Holmes, 4. Carter Holmes knocked out by Red Doyle, 3. Jimmy Alexander knocked out Everett Chapman, 3. Alexander knocked out by Tommy Sloane, 1.

Joseph Johnson outpointed Larry Foley, 6. Phil Stanley drew with Max Brander, 4. Jack Moriarty outpointed Len Clover, 6. Fred LaRose outpointed Rusty York, 6.

Charley (Dixie) Davis knocked out Al Franklin, 4. Franklin knocked out by Jimmy McDonough, 1. Davis lost to Dave Freeman, 6. Pat Donahue outpointed Hubert Gray, 4; knocked out Oliver Hamm, 4; drew with Freddie Borja, 6. Jimmy McGriff knocked out Jesse Watson, 3.

Happy Reavis outpointed Refugee Smith, 4. Gene Jensen knocked out Jimmy Florita, 6. Billy Zaduck drew with Benny Delgado, 6.

Art Morris knocked out Johnny Parvia, 2; knocked out Al Pinel, 2. Morris knocked out by Benny Delgado, 2. Morris outpointed Roland Gomes, 6. Delgado knocked out Jack Singer, 4. Morris lost to Billy Zaduck, 4. Zaduck knocked out Eddie Hudson, 2.

Babe Querion outpointed Eddie Hudson, 4. Querion lost to Bob Pooler, 6. Hudson knocked out by Walter Gomez, 3. Pooler outpointed Al Michaud, 10. Querion outpointed George McCarthy, 6.

George McCarthy outpointed Mickey Connolly, 4. McCarthy knocked out by Duke Demers, 3. McCarthy outpointed Norman Bennett, 4. McCarthy knocked out by Johnny Welch, 4. McCarthy drew with Babe Querion, 4. Bennett lost to Everett Hodgkins, 4. Bennett beat McCarthy, 6.

Lenny Lavoie knocked out Cliff Carden, 2; knocked out Henry (Kid) Briere, 4. Lavoie knocked out by Pat Doyle, 3. Vince Gambill knocked out Chief Crazy Horse, 1. Chief Crazy Horse lost to Royal Martin, 4.

Howard Bleyhl outpointed Tiger Jackson, 4; knocked out Lorenzo Brooks, 6. Bud Kelly outpointed Bobby Vernon, 6. Kelly lost to Al Jackson, 4. Kelly drew with Jerry Richards, 4. Sal Richie outpointed Wendy Wilson, 6. Wilson knocked out Charley Howard, 4. Richie outpointed Ray Powell, six.

Freddie Patterson outpointed Johnny Sheppard, 6. Eddie Durando outpointed Willie Ragin, 4. Sammy Davis knocked out Sammy Williams, 4.

Johnny Yellavich knocked out Randy Drew, 2. Willie Jenkins knocked out Tommy Franklin, 2. Charley Young Zivic lost to John Roszina, 6. Jenkins knocked out Charley "Young" Zivic, 1. Jenkins knocked out Leroy (Tiger) Green, 1. Zivic knocked out Larry Huff, 2. Zivic outpointed Jackie Armitage, 4.

Harold (Jamaica) Smith knocked out Len Nelson, 5. T. O. Champagne outpointed Reg Gallup, 4. Gallup knocked out Sonny Prue, 4. Milton Littner knocked out Danny Ruggero, 2.

Gus Vargo outpointed Arthur Shepard, 6. Vargo lost to Vic Costa, 8. Johnny Ledesma knocked out Lucio Beltran, 2. Ledesma beat Willie Tatum, 4. Ledesma knocked out Sal Dias, 4. Bobby Ellis knocked out Mickey Simon, 3.

Willie Jones outpointed Julio Franco, 4; outpointed Fugio Escabedo, 4. Tony Rodriguez outpointed Baby Santiago, 4; knocked out Billy Carlisle, 2. Melvin Wade knocked out Frankie Les, 4; outpointed Tony Argo, 4.

Rego Dell outpointed Mike deStefano, 6. DeStefano lost to Tommy Merrill, 6. Bobby Zollo knocked out Al Franklin, 5; knocked out Solomon Stewart, 5.

Joe Lucignano outpointed Charley Howard, 6. Howard knocked out by Lou Valles, 5. Valles outpointed Bill (Jiggs) Donahue, 6. Lucignano knocked out Nick Restano, 1. Allen Faulkner outpointed Tommy Mollis, 6.

Harold Borsky outpointed Leon Evans, 4. Evans knocked out Richie Chiavone, 2. Junius Woods knocked out Norman Rahn, 4. Pat Byers knocked out Leon Kennedy, 2.

Whelan Douglas outpointed Mickey Canty, 6. Al Tanquay knocked out Eddie Gagnon, 1. Bobby Nichols knocked out Paul Nelson, 2. Nichols drew with John Roszina, 6.

Mickey Simon knocked out Billy Stone, 1. Mickey Savage knocked out Count DeMarlowe, 1; outpointed Willie Edmunds, 6.

Pat Murray outpointed Tommy Sloan, 6; knocked out Nick Restano, 2. Murray lost to Pete Gino, 6. Frank Vigeant outpointed Billy Mitchell, 6; outpointed Jimmy Green, 6; knocked out Joe Polowitzer, 4.

Young Salvatore knocked out Joe Novoa, 1; outpointed Lloyd Wagoner, 4. Dick Wagner knocked out Ralph Garrison, 3. Tom Collins knocked out Jimmy Willis, 2. Willis kayoed by Jimmy Hill, 2.

Gene Boyd outpointed Len Bickford, 4. Boyd knocked out by Bill Kenney, 1. Kenney knocked out by Bobby Labbe, 3. Howard Gordon lost to Tony LaRocco, 4.

Frank Kovacs outpointed Nat Hutchins, 6. Eddie Martin outpointed Carl McFadden, 6. McFadden knocked out by Jackie Lewis, 3. Martin knocked out Freddie Patterson, 3. Martin lost to Leon Haire, 8.

Jackie Weber knocked out Walter Gomes, 2; knocked out Carter Holmes, 2. Bobby Holt outpointed Eddie Tash, 4. Patsy Zoccano lost to Milo Theodorescu, 6. Zoccano lost to Freddie Addeo, 8. Zoccano knocked out Pete Pauline, 1.

Roland Gomes knocked out Bud Taylor, 2. Earl Crenshaw knocked out Willie Ragin, 1. Julie Cross knocked out Daly Curtis, 3.

Young Green knocked out Kid Marcus, 1. Mario Centi knocked out Danny Williams, 4. Harry Shaw knocked out Billy Hamm, 1; outpointed Baby Filipino, 4. Sam Justina knocked out Alex Doyle, four.

Johnny Moran knocked out Al Boiak, 3. Tony Ancona outpointed Flash Logan, 6. Ruby Kessler outpointed Leo Romanello, 6. Kessler beat Romanello, 6.

Joey Varoff knocked out Johnny Mara, 4. Bob Boucher knocked out Arthur Shepard, 1. Joe Ybarra outpointed Willie Butler, 6. Vic Feeny outpointed Larry Lynn, 6. Young Jess Willard knocked out Johnny Janiro, 4. Manny Gomez knocked out Red Bryant, 5.

Billy Lee drew with Billy Carlisle, 4; knocked out Al Pecora, 2. Joe Guzman knocked out Tommy Lee, 3. Kid Lewis outpointed Johnny Ramirez, 4.

William Lockett knocked out Eddie Fehler, 1. Tommy Keene knocked out Johnny Parker, 5. Keene lost to Doug Carter, 4. Frankie Abrams drew with Bill Parsons, 8. Parsons lost to Bob Montgomery, 10.

Ottie Graham knocked out Freddy Sammons, 4. Charley O'Kelly outpointed Lincoln Stanley, 6. Stanley knocked out Billy Harrison, 6. Bud Abney knocked out Eddie Richards, 2.

Sal Lupo outpointed Joe Conrad, 4. Conrad knocked out Johnny Mason, 3. Miguel Arroya outpointed Young Chappie, 6. Arroya knocked out by Jackie Gaines, 2. Ray MacArthur outpointed Phil Ireland, 3. Billy Mayfield outpointed Aaron Murkison, 4; knocked out Al Pecora, 1; drew with M. C. Daniels, 4.

Charley Milan outpointed Lester "Cueball" Young, 6. Gabbie Poulin outpointed Fred Ballesandro, six.

Levi Southall knocked out Patty Brandon, 1. Southall knocked out Harold Boyd, 1. Roland Gomes outpointed Billy Barbour, 6; lost to Johnny Campinha, 6. Campinha outpointed Louis Tavares, six.

Dick Bergeron knocked out Walt Spaulding, 1. Lito Perez knocked out Mannie Flores, 2. Ernie Butler outpointed Teddy O'Dell, 6.

Dan Calcano outpointed Harry Wills, Jr., 6. Fist Deaver outpointed Augustin Jiminez, 5; outpointed Willie Watkins, 6.

Sam Schipani outpointed Bobby Comerene, 4. Eddie LaTourneau drew with Johnny Mara, 10; knocked out Dolly King, 3. William (Flattop) Cummings drew with Charlie Chaney, 6; lost to Art Brown, 5.

Jimmie Presha knocked out Fred LaDolce, 2. Bee Zee Washington knocked out Buddy Suma, 1. Howell Steen knocked out Wild Bill McDowell, 5.

Oliver Cobbins drew with Johnny Goode, 6. George McCarthy lost to Norman Bennett, 4. Willie Keene knocked out by Benny Thomas, 3.

Russ Hawkins outpointed Bobby Cummings, 4. Hugh Stell outpointed Jerry Brown, 4. Don Fitzgerald drew with Al Bourgeois, 6.

Dick Villaneuva knocked out Young Gagnon, 2. Ray Carroll knocked out Pete Hartley, 4. Bill Stemler outpointed Joe Jackson, 4. Charley Sulic outpointed Teddy King, 6. Eddie Clayton knocked out Billy Hagen, 3. Billy Kelly outpointed Lou Jackson, 6.

Tony Boguski knocked out Pete DeJames, 2. Danny Ruggero lost to Jimmy Stevens, 4. Mickey Santarsiero knocked out Johnny Saco, 3.

Ralph Zannelli knocked out Garvey Young, 4. Freddie Archer outpointed Ernest "Cat" Robinson, 10. Charley Fusari outpointed Maxie Berger, 10. Al Michaud knocked out Duke Demers, 8.

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CONNECTICUT RING NEWS

By DON HAMILL

BEFORE giving you the results of the cards that thrilled Connecticut fans during the month, this writer wants to tell all of you that it is really great to be back in civilian clothes. I want to thank Jack Kane for the bang-up job he did with my column in my absence and all of you who kept me posted with cheery, newsy letters. Kane did such a swell job with the Connecticut notes that I am going to find it difficult keeping up the standard he has set.

New Britain (Stanley Arena)—Gabby Poulin, 145, formerly of Maine, but now residing in New Britain, won a bruising battle of eight rounds from Artie Shepard, 147, of New York. Freddie "Goldfish" Ballesandro, 142, Hartford, dropped a six-round verdict to rough Gus Vargo, 144, Newark, N.J., in the semi-final. James Winn, 142, New York, scored a surprise kayo over Lee Abrams, 140, Hartford Negro, in the second round. Billy Marcus, 135, Hartford, won the opener by kayoing Jackie Rowe, 139, Brooklyn, in the second.

Hartford Auditorium—Dennis Pat Brady, 130, chalked up his 23rd straight win with a one-round kayo over Harold "Cannonball" Gibson, 131, New York, in the scheduled eight-round main event. Ray Laurie, 146, Hartford, won by a T.K.O. over Al Silverman, 142, New York, when the latter was forced to halt in the second round due to a cut lip. George Smith, 142, New York Negro, won a savagely-fought six-rounder from Joey Polowitzer, 139, East Hartford. Tommy Greb, 125, Boston, southpaw, dropped Lou Langley, 121, New York Negro, twice in their six-rounder, but had to be content with the decision. Willie Odom, 144, New York, belted out Gary "Redcap" Cooper, 145, Springfield, Mass., in the first round of the six-round curtain raiser.

New Haven Arena—Julie Kogon, 134, New Haven, unleashed a terrific left hook to the jaw of Pat Scanlon, 137½, New York, in the third round to win their slated ten-round feature by a knockout. The bout was nip-and-tuck up to the knockout blow with Kogon having a slight edge with his harder punching. Joe Popeski, 175, New London, scored a T.K.O. over Lt. Jack Lyons, 179, Bridgeport, in the sixth when the Army officer suffered a severe cut over the eye. Russ Baxter, 160, New York, belted out Eddie Sparks, 158, New Haven, in the second of another six. Joe Dell, 129, and Joey Wasnick, 128, both of New Haven, fought four rounds to end up all even. In the other four-rounder Tony Florentino, 130, New Haven, knocked out Roy "Pee Wee" Simms, 123, New Haven, in the second round.

New Britain (Stanley Arena)—Tony Vero, 145, formerly of Rome, N. Y., but now living in Stamford, scored his nineteenth consecutive pro victory by whipping Larney Moore, 147, Valley Stream, N. Y., in the 10-round main event. It was a bruising fight throughout with both fighters suffering cut eyes. In the six-round semi-final Davey Allen, 130, New York, was handed a soft touch in Willie Duggan, 130, New York, whom he stopped in the second round. In the crudest set of four-rounders, Danny Ruggiero, 147, Yonkers, decisioned Sammy Chietera, 148, New York; Joe Girolamo, 147, New Britain, won over Elben Calamado, 143½, New York, and in the opener, Nick DeVanno, 125, Norwich, scored over Rocky Cappola, 125, Stamford.

Hartford Auditorium—Bobby Polowitzer, 128, East Hartford, soundly whipped durable Don Madrid, 130, Mexico, in the eight-round feature of hard punching. The tough Mexican made the fight interesting by always being dangerous. In the eight-round semi-final, Don Fiantini, 131½, Reading, Pa., proved too fast and punched too hard for Jose Guiterrez, 133½, Mexico. Vic Chambers, 168, Asbury Park, N. J., was awarded a T.K.O. over Joey Paganelli, 162, Pittsburgh, when the latter broke both of his hands. Paganelli was unable to answer the bell for the sixth round of a third eight. Ray Laurie, 146, Hartford, flattened Joey Rogers, 143, Bridgeport, in the first of a six with a solid left hook to the jaw. Joey Polowitzer, 139, East Hartford, knocked out Sal Arredon, 136½, Mexico, in the final round of the six-round opener.

New Haven Arena—Julie Kogon, 135, New Haven, edged out Johnny Forte, 136½, Philadelphia, in their ten-round main event. It was a good fight with Kogon's fast finish in the last three rounds winning the decision for him. In the six-round semi-final, Russ Baxter, 158, New York, had to go all out to win over Jim Petty, 156, Boston. Baxter tired but his early lead gave him only a slight edge. Joey Wasnick, 130, New Haven, was held to a draw by Sammy Feldman, 125, Boston, in a six-rounder. In another over the same distance, Dan Benware, 235, New London, kayoed George Boner, 196, New Haven, in the fourth. The four-round opener was scratched and no bout substituted.

New Britain (Stanley Arena)—Bert Lytell, 158, Oakland, Calif., dropped Cyril Gittens, 161½, New York, four times before putting him away in the second heat of their scheduled 10-rounder. Gittens was a last-minute substitute for Rudy Richardson. Gus Vargo, 148, Newark, decisioned Artie Shepard, 149, New York, in the six-round semi-final. It was a hard-fought fight all the way. Milton Littner, 146, New York, stopped Danny Ruggerio, 148, New York, in the second heat. Dave Ancron, 148, New York Negro, won by a T.K.O. over Cy Mussinelli, 145, New York, in the third round of their bout. Johnny Bell, 140, New Britain, and Carey Mace, 141, Hartford, fought an interesting draw in a five-round semi-pro bout.

Hartford Auditorium—Nick Stato, 130, Springfield, Mass., won an easy eight-round decision over Benny May, 125, Montreal, Can. Stato proved too strong for the lighter May, whose body blows failed to slow up the Bay State Greek. Bobby Polowitzer, 128, East Hartford, knocked out Don Madrid, 130, Mexico, in the last two seconds of the second round with a left hook. The Mexican answered the bell for the third heat, but Referee Hughie Devlin wisely halted the fight as Polowitzer was moving in for the kill. Ray Laurie, 146, Hartford, scored his second one-round kayo in as many weeks by belting out Johnny Smith, 154, Bridgeport Negro southpaw. Frank Vigeant, 141, Waterbury, outsmarted Willie Mitchell, 140, Chicago Negro, in another six. Georgie Humes, 158, East Hartford, avenged a previous kayo defeat by scoring a third-round knockout over Bobby Hicks, 156, Waterbury, in the four-round opener.

Danbury (Young Men's Catholic Club Auditorium)—About a thousand persons were turned away in Pete Montesi's initial promotional venture. In the main event of ten rounds, Lew Jenkins stopped Jack Garrity, 143, Jersey City, N. J., in a minute and five seconds of the first round. The Sweetwater Swatter scaled 139. In four-rounders that completed the pro end of the card, Bobby Holt, 148, Danbury, drew with Eddie O'Tash, 148, Bridgeport, while in the other, Hugh Stell, 150, Los Angeles, Calif., and Bobby Hicks, 152, Waterbury, also drew. The remainder of the card was made up of three-round semi-pro contests featuring Danbury lads. The show was a huge success. Montesi lost an arm and leg in the Battle of the Bulge. Among those of Jacobs Beach who paid homage to the vet were Sugar Ray Robinson, Beau Jack, Rocky Graziano, Ruby Goldstein and Sam Taub.

New Britain (Stanley Arena)—George "Red" Doty, 155, Hartford, and Charley McPherson, 160, New York Negro, battled through ten gruelling rounds with the hard-hitting Hartford redhead having an edge to win the decision. In the six-round semi-final, Gabby Poulin, 144, now of New Britain, belted out Davey Ancron, 148, New York Negro, in the third. Ancron tried to scare Poulin by making faces and yelling "Boo," but Poulin was not to be phased. In another six, Freddie "Goldfish" Balesano, 146, Hartford, outlasted Sammy Chieteria, 150, New York, and stopped him in the fourth round. George Humes, 159, East Hartford, and Melvin Knight, 163, Hartford, were given the heave-ho. Knight was fined $10 for not being in shape and the bout was called a draw. In the opener of four rounds, Jim Brady, 123, Hartford, won all the way to defeat Nick DeVanno, 124, Norwich.

Hartford Auditorium—It took Victor Flores, 131, Mexico, to hand Dennis Pat Brady, 130, New York, his first defeat. The Mexican overcame an early lead and maintained it. Ray Laurie, 145, Hartford, got up off the floor to drop Larry Whitney, 148, New York Negro, four times in winning the decision in the six-round semi-final. Don Fiantini, 130, Reading, Pa., met a tartar in the wild-swinging Henry "Kid" Briere, 131, Putnam, whom he belted out in four heats. Briere, an ex-soldier, was down six times but got up each time to make a fight of it. Frank Vigeant, 141, Waterbury, won over Jimmy Green, 145, New York Negro southpaw, in another six. Joe Schultz, 135, New Britain, kayoed Tony Mande, 131, Worcester, Mass., in the second of a four-rounder. In a four-round semi-pro bout, Ray MacArthur, 142, Middletown Negro, had little trouble whipping Phil Ireland, 138, Hartford.

New Britain (Stanley Arena)—Vic Costa, 142½, Bronx, N. Y., eked out a decision over Gus Vargo, 147, Newark, N. J., in an eight-round feature bout. The slam-bang contest met with the approval of the 1200 fans present. In another brawl, Gabby Poulin, 143, New Britain, scored over Fred "Goldfish" Ballesandro, 141½, Hartford, in the six-round semi-final. Frankie Palermo, 134, Bronx, returned to outpoint Billy Marcus, 133, Hartford, in a good fight. Ralph Costello, 140, Bronx, decisioned Joey Girolamo, 142, New Britain, in a four-round bout. The curtain raiser saw Sammy Chieteria, 152, Bronx, whip Tony Burgos, 152, Brooklyn, in four rounds.

New Haven Arena—Ernie Petrone, 140, Philadelphia, upset his 5 to 1 favored foe, Julie Kogon, 136½, New Haven, in ten heats. Petrone won the first six rounds handily with an educated left hand. Kogon came back strong and took the play away from Petrone, but his knockout efforts were in vain. Joey Wasnick, 132, and Ernie Cabral, 135, both of New Haven, put on an interesting scrap in the six-round semi-final with Wasnick getting the duke. Charley "Kid" Chaney, 160, Baltimore, belted out Bill Conklin, 159, New Haven, in the second round of their six-spot with a left hook. Hal Glassman, 185, Philadelphia, decisioned Ace Clark, 177, Springfield Negro, in another six. Another pair of New Haveners, George Boner, 188, and Joe Festa, 182, staged an uninteresting draw in the four-rounder.

Hartford Auditorium—Nick Stato, 130, Springfield, proved too strong in winning an easy eight-round decision over Leo Mucucci, 129, Portland, Me. Mucucci was fast, but his left jab was ineffective against the ever-moving Stato, who freely pummeled Mucucci's body. Bobby Polowitzer, 131, East Hartford, won by a technical knockout over Joe Montiero, 132, Wareham, Mass., in the fifth round of the eight-round co-feature. Polowitzer had an edge in the dull bout preceding the opening up of one of Montiero's eyes which necessitated stopping the bout. Georgie Humes, 156, East Hartford, and Bat Stroud, 156, Tampa, Fla., puunched each other sill for four rounds before Humes put over the finisher. Frank Vigeant, 141, Waterbury, scored quite an upset when he dumped Joey Polowitzer, 140, East Hartford, for the full count in the fourth of their six-rounder. The five-round semi-pro opener saw Johnny Bell, 144, New Britain, and Carey Mace, 143, Hartford, battling to another draw.

This writer will be glad to furnish any other information about boxing in this section. There is plenty of work for boys who can fight. This writer's address is still, Don Hamill, 250 Saybrooke Street, Hartford, Conn. So long until next month.

WRESTLING IN CLEVELAND

PROFESSIONAL wrestling in Cleveland is having a boom all its own. Promoter Jack Ganson is presenting weekly shows that have featured the top names in the mat sport and the fans show their agreement by a strong box office business.

Jack Ganson has been an outstanding figure in wrestling for many years, going back to 1924, when he was a member of the United States Olympic team. At that time he was the holder of the National Amateur title and was performing for the San Francisco Olympic Club. He picked up many pointers from professional mat men such as Dick Shikat, Ad Santal and Earl Caddock. It was natural that he turn professional as he had a world of promise and a lot of amateur experience.

As a professional wrestler, Jack Ganson met the best in the business and his reputation spread from coast to coast. Just as it had been natural to turn professional, so the step into promoting was next for Ganson. In 1933 he started in the wrestling promotion game in San Francisco. Taking a dormant sport, he built it into a $400,000 business, in one year. Since that time he has promoted in Canada, along the West Coast and in the Eastern States. His quality of presentation has resulted in his being welcome with the fans.

Jack Ganson has resented the invasion of the side-show and freak acts into wrestling. At no time has he lowered his standards to these promotions. The result is a healthy wrestling condition in Cleveland. He presents good men and shies away from those who put showmanship before sportsmanship.

The men appearing in Cleveland include such names as Frank Sexton, Whipper Billy Watson, Bob "Strangler" Wagner, Ernie Dusek, Jumping Joe Savoldi, Bobby Roberts, Fred Bozik, Fred Von Schacht, Kay Bell, Dick Shikat, Ivan Rasputin, Dave Levin, Cliff Gustafson and Don McIntyre.

The recognized world's champion is Frank Sexton and he is signed to defend his title at the Cleveland Arena against Whipper Billy Watson, a top favorite in Cleveland. This bout is expected to draw over the 10,000 mark.

The most promising Cleveland wrestler in many years, is Fred Bozik, a flashy 222-pounder. He is a wild man in the ring and while the fans boo him to the limit, they demand his appearance on as many cards as possible.

The other Cleveland favorites are Jumping Joe Savoldi, Bobby Roberts, and Kay Bell. These three men are former collegiate football stars who have left the campus to gain mat fame. Joe Savoldi is one of the Notre Dame football immortals and his feats with the last Knute Rockne championship team are still talked of, when the Irish Alumni meet. The N. D. alumni in Cleveland turn out strong to see Joe every time he appears in the Lake Erie City.

Kay Bell is a former All-American tackle from Washington State U., who carried on professionally with the Chicago Bears and the New York Giants. Called the Adonis of the Ring, Bell is a fine looking athlete and strictly the personality-plus man. A wrestler loses the fans' backing by just getting into the ring against the popular Kay Bell.

Bobby Roberts is a former University of Dayton gridder who has a great World War II record behind him and is now back to his wrestling career. A very clean performer, Roberts is a scientific worker who wins the cheers of the fans from the time he is introduced as the "Sarge" until he tosses his opposition.

All in all, the city of Cleveland is quite happy with its wrestling picture and Promoter Jack Ganson promises to maintain his high standards in all shows to come.

BROADCAST FROM NEW YORK

By IRVING RUDD

THE Boxing Writers' Association dinner was the outstanding event of the past month. Recipient of the annual Ed Neil Trophy award was former Mayor of New York, James J. Walker, while James Joy Johnston received the special award for long and meritorious service in boxing.

For the first time in the history of the Association a dinner was honored by the presence of a New York mayor, when the newly-elected incumbent, William O'Dwyer, called to pay his respects.

Nat Fleischer presented THE RING medal to Willie Pep as the outstanding boxer of the year. The gathering was literally a "Who's Who in Boxing" with Benny Leonard, Louis Kid Kaplan, Jess Willard, Abe Attell, Ruby Goldstein, Ray Arcel, Sam Taub, Gus Lesnevich, and numerous others in attendance.

The speeches were extremely good, a rarity for formal dinners. Bill Corum, popular *Journal-American* sports columnist, was the surprise hit of the evening. Rarely seen on the speakers' dais, Corum was extremely witty as he raked the guest of honor, James J. Johnston, over the coals, and ribbed Walker, and Commissioner Eagan, who also spoke. Bill then switched to a serious trend when he pointed out how tolerant all the members of the fistic fraternity are in their dealings with each other, regardless of race, creed, or color.

John Kieran, James A. Farley, and of course Johnston and Walker were among the speakers too. James Joy, we feel, walked off with all the laurels as he had 'em rolling in the aisles with his wisecracking reminiscing. Walker was humbly grateful because he was chosen for the Neil Trophy, and then begged the boxing men assembled to drive out the cheap, money-hungry exploiters of incapable and washed-up pugs.

Mike Silverstein, popular Mount Vernon, New York, police chief, a familiar ringside figure at local clubs, plans to retire after 41 years of service. . . . Vincent Barbi, Olympic welterweight contender, who came here as a member of the Italian team in 1932, but stayed on to become an American citizen, celebrated the birth of a daughter, Barbara Joan, who weighed eight pounds at Polyclinic Hospital. . . . Poor Arbie Bowie! . . . The young Pittsburgh lightweight never fought Gene Gudgill in Detroit on January 19, 1945, yet the wire services carried his name as a one-round kayo victim. . . . This year, on January 17, he was scheduled to fight Sandy Saddler in Orange, New Jersey, but came in overweight and was taken off the card. . . . Once again the wire services had Bowie flattened in a heat, when as a matter of fact it was Sam Selman who boxed Saddler. . . . In an earlier battle with Ernie Guisti, Bowie was the victim of a raw duke according to Providence newspapers. . . . Otherwise Arbie is doing quite nicely, thank you.

Patsy Perroni, Cleveland heavyweight contender of a few years ago, who gave Joe Louis one of his hardest fights, is the manager of a luncheonette in New York and also handles Frank Cerna, a middleweight. . . . Pedro Montanez was a recent visitor to New York, looking as fit as when he was active in the ring.

Babe Ruth saw his first fight in ten years when he attended the Graziano-Horne shindig. . . . Joe Vella, pilot of Gus Lesnevich back in mufti, introducing his Army buddy Joe Carlo, who managed fighters before the first World War. Carlo enlisted at the age of 45 to serve in World War II, and did a bang-up job coaching and training Army boxers. . . . While many of the present-day fighters who have retired within the past ten years have a legitimate squawk about the big purses they would be making at present if they were active, we recommend them to Teddy Hubbs, Bobby Ruffin's father, and a great little battler in his day. . . . He boxed Benny Leonard for ten tough rounds for the "princely" sum of $150!

Spruille Braden, our popular ambassador to Argentina, we learn, was a part manager of several fighters some twenty years ago. . . . Braden, now one of our most beloved and respected statesmen, is rumored to have had an interest in the contract of King Solomon, Romero Rojas, and others.

Ivan Christie, local lightweight, is back ready for ring action after serving two years in the Aleutians with the Army. . . . Vic Feeny, an undefeated middleweight youngster stationed at MacDill Field, is exciting reams of raves from Florida boxing scribes. . . . Six feet tall, a 157-pounder, this stiff-punching youngster will probably blossom into a full-fledged heavyweight shortly. . . . Aside to fight managers. . . . The line definitely does NOT form to the right. . . . Sgt. Ken Wagner, his Army buddy, has him sewed up.

Commander Benny Leonard received his honorable discharge from the United States Maritime Service. . . . Benny, who served in both World Wars, instructed more than 100,000 men in the art of self defense during his tenure at the Sheepshead Bay base. . . . The retired undefeated lightweight king will embark upon a lecture tour stressing the importance of a national program of physical education.

Anyone entertaining doubts that the boxing game is entering into a Golden Era that will dwarf the halcyon days of Dempsey, Tunney, and the other greats of the 1920's, has but to glance at some of the sizeable gates being drawn around the country. . . . Strike-bound Detroit packs 'em in regardless. . . . Buffalo is going strong. . . . The turnstiles are clicking the merriest tune ever in the small clubs around New York, and boxing centers in long stagnant boxing towns have come to life drawing huge houses.

The best example this reporter witnessed first hand took place at the Ridgewood Grove in Brooklyn. . . . Larry Fontana was to meet Joe Governale in a neighborhood grudge brawl. . . . Bensonhurst, the Brooklyn bailiwick where both boys reside, was all het up for the match. . . . Came the day of the show and Governale showed up at the weigh-in ill. . . . The word spread through Bensonhurst.

Over five hundred tickets were returned by the Governale partisans. . . . The veteran Johnny Jones was substituted. . . . This fact was amply announced by the Ridgewood Grove management who prominently displayed signs announcing the break in the card. . . . Yet almost an hour before the first bout began, the doors were closed and hundreds were turned away!

The New York boxing fraternity went all out to insure the success of wounded war veteran Pete Montesi who made his debut as a boxing promoter in his hometown, Danbury, Connecticut. . . . Nat Fleischer, our boss, devoted many valuable minutes in conferences with Montesi, who lost his left arm and left leg in the Saar Basin, giving him promotional tips and ironing out a few difficulties. . . . Nat also presented Pete with several sets of boxing gloves to be used by the contestants.

Sam Taub, the famed fight announcer, and on the staff of RING, donated his services as master of ceremonies. . . . Lew Jenkins boxed in the main go for free. . . . Rocky Graziano, Ray Robinson, Beau Jack, and others put in an appearance. . . . Ruby Goldstein refereed gratis. . . . Commissioner Billy Prince himself appeared at the show to see that things ran smoothly for Montesi and was of invaluable help.

Future visitors will include Fleischer who will referee a card; Gus Lesnevich who will box; Willie Pep, Ray Miller, Young Otto, and a host of others. . . . Mike Jacobs' ring donated to Pete looked classy in the small club, and the mayor of Danbury voiced the sentiments of the jam-packed house when he told the distinguished visitors that the quaint Connecticut hat center was greatly honored. . . . Montesi, now a civilian, will go far in his promotional ventures because he is a straight shooter and a real asset to boxing.

Tommy Bell, Youngstown welterweight contender, and his brother Shelton encountered an unusual experience while doing roadwork in Central Park recently, when they came across the body of a young sailor who had attempted suicide. . . . Mixed wrestler vs. boxer bouts are frequently staged in Florida nowadays.

Paralyzing his opponent with punishing body punches, Cleo Shans, 139½, Los Angeles, Cal., applied the finisher, a crushing right to the midsection of Pat Foley, 131½, Worcester, Mass., veteran, at 2:53 of the fourth round of a scheduled ten-rounder at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Shans won all three rounds prior to the kayo as he kept stalking Foley, who vainly tried to outpunch the durable little Negro. The knockout ended the comeback hopes of the New England veteran who had returned to the ring two years ago after retiring in 1940. Benny Leonard was the referee.

Al Victoria, 138, Harlem, battered Eddie Dowl, 137½, Jersey City, and stopped him at the end of the fifth round of a scheduled six-round semi-windup. Vince Lauria, 116, Camden, N. J., upset Archie Devino, 122½, Long Island City, whom he floored and defeated in a six-rounder. Filberto Osario, 124¼, Puerto Rico, was too tough and strong for Jimmy Jeannette, 118½, Louisville, Ky., and Referee Leonard stopped the scrap at 1:54 of the third round.

Ted Walters, 209, New York, outpointed Ernie Petretti, 192, Bronx, in a four, and Winslow Woodward, 140½, New York, flattened Jasper O'Hanley, 144½, Montreal, in 2:06 of the third round.

Lenny (Boom Boom) Mancini, 148½, Youngstown, O., Purple Heart wearer, scored his fourth straight victory since his discharge from the Army when he outbulled Torpedo Reed, 143, Los Angeles, Cal., in the feature fray of eight rounds at the Broadway Arena.

Reed started fast and cut Mancini's eyes in the first frame, but Boom Boom came back to pound his foe about the body and wore Reed down. The decision was a split one, with Judge Mike Parisi casting a dissenting vote in favor of Reed after Referee Young Otto and Judge Harold Barnes voted for Mancini.

Danny Carabella, 121, Bronx, outspeeded Mike Konners, 129, West Side, in the eight-round semi-final. A slam bang six went to Irving Palefsky, 152½, Bronx, when he hammered his way to a win over Baudelio Valencia, 160, Mexico.

In the fours, Mitchell Roberts, 154½, Tuscaloosa, Ala., stopped Jose Torres, 163, Puerto Rico, in 2:35 of the second. Johnny Vann, 138½, Brooklyn, battered Frankie Van, 133½, Bayonne, N. J., so badly he was unable to come up for the third round. Al Mazerol, 138½, Limestone, Me., outpointed Joe Patina, 138½, Puerto Rico, in the only four that went the distance.

Joey Dolan, 128, Spokane, Wash., found Benny May, 125, Montreal, a soft touch as he punched out an eight-round verdict in the main event at the Park Arena. May was a sub for Georgie Knox, and although he finished strong, could not overcome Dolan's early lead.

Julie Bort, 134½, Brooklyn, won rather handily from Lou Prince, 131½, Princeton, N. J., in the eight-round semi-final. In a sixer, Frank Kruksi, 147, Bronx, defeated Nick Restano, 139½, Newark, N. J.

Jimmy Evans, 179¾, Brooklyn, knocked out Bill Beauford, 172, Garfield, N. J., in 2:13 of the first. John DeMaio, 151, Harlem, outpointed Art Shepard, 152, Brooklyn, and Charlie McPherson, 160, Brooklyn, outscored Neil Hawkins, 162, Harlem, in the four-round bouts.

The "Killer" myth was exploded at Madison Square Garden before a sellout crowd of 18,907 when Tommy "Rocky" Graziano, 155½, New York, faced his first full-fledged middleweight opponent in George "Sonny" Horne, 156¾, Valley Stream, L. I., and had to be content with a unanimous ten-round decision.

Judges Jack Gordon and Bill Healey scored it eight rounds to two in favor of the Rockem-Sockem Italian which many felt was too lopsided

a verdict. The usually efficient Referee Ruby Goldstein gave it to Graziano, five rounds to four, with one even.

Rocky seemed wild in the first frame but soon rocked Horne with a sharp right and followed up with a few more stiff socks. Horne kept constantly on the move, outboxing Graziano at crucial moments, and had Rocky's nose bleeding slightly in the fourth.

Through the sixth, seventh and eighth chapters Graziano was constantly the aggressor as he drove Sonny back with his hard right hand punch, staggering the Long Islander several times. Sonny's left eye was cut at this stage, and his nose bled freely too.

Horne came back to outbox and outmaneuver Rocky in the ninth and the crowd was hoarse during the tenth, shouting for Sonny to stick it out and go the distance. The receipts were $108,974.

Clint Miller, 127½, Elizabeth, N. J., reversed an earlier loss to his Jersey rival, Frankie Leta, 134½, Irvington, and copped a six-round duke. A good six-round slugfest saw Sal Richie, 151½, Newark, N. J., take the measure of Wendy Wilson, 149½, Trinidad, B. W. I. Eddie Murphy, 141, Bronx, displayed plenty of class in defeating Tommy Mills, 140, Valley Stream, L. I., in another six.

In a six staged after the star bout, Clarence Wilkinson, 164, Bronx, beat Freddie Flores, 162, Jamaica, L. I. The opener went to Harold Raskin, 189½, Chicago, who outpunched Ernie Petretti, 192, New York.

Harry Berntsen, 204½, undefeated Norwegian heavyweight sensation, came back after being on the verge of a knockout to flatten Johnny Davis, 187, Brooklyn, in 54 seconds of the fourth round, in the star bout at the Ridgewood Grove.

An overflow crowd saw Davis, floored for a nine count early in the first round, come back to drop Berntsen twice; once in the second, and again in the third. The bell saved Harry each time as he wobbled around the ring grabbing Davis and tying him up. As the Brooklyn Negro staggered big Berntsen with a left, the Norwegian uncorked a right to the point of Johnny's chin to poleax him flat on his back, where Referee Harry Ebbetts counted him out.

Joey Varoff, Ray Arcel's protege, looked impressive in his first postwar fight as he knocked out Ellie Simley, 137½, Los Angeles, Cal., in 2:25 of the third round. The East Sider scaled 144.

Jimmy McDonough, 155, Brooklyn, knocked out Al Franklin, 146, Washington, D. C., with a left hook to the stomach in 2:49 of the first round. Another knockout resulted when Johnny Yellavich, 151½, Roselle Park, N. J., stowed away Randy Drew, 160, Newark, N. J., in 1:58 of the second.

Irving Palefsky, 151, Bronx, defeated Bobby Cummings, 146½, Philadelphia, in a good six. In another six, Lee Black, 158, Harlem, whipped Antonio Carmona, 155, Puerto Rico. The opener saw Joe O'Hanley, 141, Brooklyn, knock out Terry Kipp, 138½, Toronto, in 2:33 of the second heat.

Classy Coley Welch, 164, Portland, Me., middleweight, easily outpointed Jerry Fiorello, 162, Brooklyn, in a return ten-rounder before a crowd of 3,592 at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Fiorello, who had dropped a split duke to Welch in their earlier mill, was completely outclassed by Coley, who cut Jerry over his left eye in the third and moused up his right in the sixth.

In the semi-final of six heats, Tony Del Gatto, 157, Brooklyn, thoroughly shellacked Harry Gary, 165, Harlem, who was lucky to go the route.

Joe Lucignano, 146, Jersey City, won over Charley Howard, 147½, Pittsburgh, in six rounds. Two slated sixes failed to go the distance as Jim Davis, 161, Brooklyn, stopped Don Anderson, 159¾, Bronx, in 2:37 of the third, and Tony Antognoli, 136, Greenwich Village, knocked out Mike Gravino, 130¼, Toronto, in the third frame.

Winslow Woodward, 139, Harlem, stopped Al Baltieri, 144, Brooklyn, in 2:16 of the first round in the opener.

Shifty Neva Esparza, 144½, Mexico, proved too fast and clever for the determined Cleo Shans, 137½, Los Angeles, Cal., and romped off with a split ten-round decision before a capacity house at the Broadway Arena.

Cleo concentrated on a body attack in the first two heats, but the experienced Esparza overcame the California Negro's early lead by keeping on the move continuously and outpunching Shans all the way.

The semi-final of six rounds went to Pete Mirabella, 136, Brooklyn, who outgamed Guillermo Rizco, 140, Mexico. In another corking six, Wayland Douglas, 153, Brooklyn, defeated Mickey Canty, 152¾, Springfield, Mass. A third scheduled six ended at 2:14 of the second round as Joe Torrens, 143½, Puerto Rico, knocked out Dave Ancrum, 148, Brooklyn.

In the fours, Guillermo Segura, 173, Mexico, defeated Steve Kish, 172½, Garfield, N. J., and George Baltieri, 142, Brooklyn, stopped Lou Daniels, 137½, New York, in 2:47 of the second round.

Maxie Berger, 148, Bronx veteran welterweight, outpointed Vince LaSalva, 148½, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., in the feature eight-rounder at the Park Arena.

The Infantile Paralysis Fund netted more than $600 as its share of the proceeds. This marked the fourth time that Berger, who undoubtedly holds the record for topnotchers, has fought for the benefit of the Fund.

Art Tatta, 161½, New York, got off the canvas to nose out Dave Carver, 165¼, New York, in the semi-final six. Art Saxell, 166½, Los Angeles, beat Joe St. Peter, 172¼, Brooklyn, in a six, while another six went to Johnny Harvey, 161, Port Chester, N. Y., who whipped Lew Perez, 157¾, Puerto Rico.

Jasper O'Hanely, 141, Montreal, won from Al Mazerol, 140¼, Limestone, Me., in the curtain raiser.

Chalky Wright, 134½, Los Angeles, struggled through ten dreary rounds to win a unanimous decision over Pedro Firpo, 132½, Camden, N. J., at the St. Nicholas Arena.

A crowd of 3,094 was overcharged to the tune of $8,106.59 to watch this extremely dull fiasco which Referee Arthur Donovan twice threatened to stop and declare "no contest."

In six rounders, Leo Milito, 129¾, Greenwich Village, outpointed Oscar Lewis, 136, Newark, N. J. Irving Palefsky, 152¾, Bronx, defeated Baudelio Valencia, 162, Mexico. Other carded sixes failed to go the limit when the fast rising Joey Carkido, 137, Youngstown, Ohio, stopped Winslow Woodward, 138, Harlem, in 1:51 of the first, and Lew Langley, 120, Harlem, halted Joe Aponte Torres, 124½, Puerto Rico, in 1:47 of the second round with a cut eye.

The promising Buster Peppe, 176, Greenwich Village, knocked out Steve Kish, 162½, Passaic, N. J., in 2:04 of the second. Johnny DeMaio, 151½, Bronx, stopped Jerry Heimowitz, 150, Brooklyn, in 2:54 of the third of a scheduled four spot.

Vinnie Rossano, 147, Red Hook, welterweight, wearer of the Purple Heart, had his hands full pounding out an eight round decision over game and aggressive Joe Keys, 148, Los Angeles, Cal., in the star bout at the Ridgewood Grove.

Keys appeared to be headed for the cleaners in the very first round as Rossano rocked him with thumping bolo rights to the chin. The California Negro came back to cut Vinnie's right eye in the third frame, and the Brooklynite bled severely through the remainder of the bout. Rossano was the better boxer and stiffer puncher, copping five of the eight rounds.

The Grove enjoyed its fourth consecutive capacity house as Fire Lt. Jerry Hopkins ordered the doors closed at 8:30 and turned an estimated 1000 fans away.

In the eight-round semi-windup, Enrique Rodea, 136, Mexico, nosed out Johnny Harris, 140½, East Side. A second eight went to Freddy Addeo, 146½, Brooklyn, when he outpunched Patsy Zoccano, 145½, Montreal.

Howie Brodt, 148½, Utica, N. Y., floored and defeated Wayland Douglas, 151, Brooklyn, in a good six-round scrap. Harold Raskin, 188½, Chicago, whipped Ernie Petretti, 189, Bronx, in a four-round bout. Teddy O'Dell, 151, Passaic, N. J., outpointed Milton Latimer, 148½, Beacon, N. Y., in a four-rounder.

Tony Pellone, 141, Greenwich Village youngster, had a close call taking a split ten-round decision from the veteran, Maxie Shapiro, 133½, East Side, before a capacity crowd at the St. Nicholas Arena.

The wily Shapiro completely befuddled Pellone as he crouched and weaved throughout the fight and countered with plenty of vicious overhand rights. Tony was the sharper and more effective puncher, but lost his head a few times, bringing up the knee on one occasion, and roughing and heeling in clinches.

Referee Lou Boughton, a newcomer who performed efficiently, gave each scrapper five rounds apiece, but awarded the bout to Maxie, seven points to five. Judge Fred Brunelli had it six for Pellone, three for the East Sider, and one even, while the other judge, Steve Acunto, scored it six and four in favor of Tony. The verdict was roundly booed by the crowd who contributed close to $1200 to the Infantile Paralysis Fund.

In the supporting bouts, Lou Valles, 150½, New York, recovered from a first-round knockdown to stop Charley Howard, 149½, Pittsburgh, in 2:12 of the fifth. Henry Johnson, 157, Bronx, spoiled the debut of Laverne Roach, 155, Plainview, Texas, when he clearly outpointed the highly heralded youngster in a six-round bout.

Other sixes saw Al Mobley, 144, Newark, N. J., outpoint Doug Ratford, 140, Brooklyn, and Vincent Gigante, 174, New York, defeat George Segura, 174½, Mexico. Al Mazerol, 141, Limestone, Me., uncorked a right to the button of Terry Kipp, 138½, Paterson, N. J., and knocked him flat on his back in 2:04 of the first stanza.

Kipp's head struck the canvas with a resounding thud and while fans stood tensely near their seats, and the seconds from both corners worked feverishly to bring Kipp to, the Commission doctor sat callously at ringside. Mebbe Terry is a registered Democrat or sumptin.

Phil Palmer, promising Vancouver, B. C., welterweight, scaling 147½, made his first start in three months an impressive one as he handily defeated Rudy Campa, 146, San Fernando, Cal., in the feature eight-round attraction at the Broadway Arena.

Despite the fact that he was penalized the second and fifth frames for low blows, Palmer won with plenty to spare as he received the unanimous decision of Referee Teddy Martin and Judges Sid Sharlin and Jim Hagen. A crowd of 3500 saw the show.

In a scheduled eight, Al Pennino, 126, Brooklyn, stopped Ritchie Myashiro, 129, Hawaii, in 1:15 of the fifth when Referee Martin decided that the Hawaiian was completely outclassed.

Leo Milito, 128¾, East Side, outpointed Jerry Darby, 132, Jamaica, L. I., in six rounds, while Meyer Siegel, 156, East Side, whipped Johnny King, 156, Harlem, in another six.

Karo Smith, 161¾, New York, won the decision over Teddy O'Dell, 156¾, Passaic, N. J., in a four spot. The scheduled four-round opener ended in 1:54 of the first round when Johnny Vann, 142, Brooklyn, knocked out Ray Parker, 143¾, Brooklyn.

Juan Carrero, 135, Puerto Rico, gained sweet revenge as he outpointed Eddie Murphy, 141, Bronx, in a return go of eight rounds at the Park Arena before the largest crowd in the history of the new Bronx boxing club.

Victim of an unpopular decision in their previous mill, Carrero dropped Murphy for a count of eight in the sixth round of this setto, and snapped the sensational youngster's string of wins at nineteen.

Irving Palefsky, 151½, Bronx, defeated Benny Davis, 157½, Port Chester, N. Y., in the six-round semi-final. Oscar Lewis, 135½, Newark, N. J., vanquished Jose Guitterez, 134, Mexico City, in another six. Tony Antognoli, 136, Greenwich Village, flattened Guillermo Rizco, 139½, Mexico City, in 1:51 of the fourth of a listed six. Another six went to Ernie Butler, 152, Brooklyn, when he outpointed Mel Hawkins, 157, Jamaica, L. I.

Johnny DeMaio, 151¼, New York, stopped Teddy Wilson, 151, Bronx, in 51 seconds of the first in the opening four.

A new world's welterweight champion was crowned in Madison Square Garden in the first of the postwar titular tilts, when baby-faced ex-Coast Guardsman, Marty Servo, 143, Schenectady, N. Y., easily knocked out the Elizabeth, N. J., gamester, Freddie "Red" Cochrane, 145, in 2:54 of the fourth round before a near sellout crowd of 17,375 spectators.

Cochrane started cautiously, outboxing the Upstate youth for the first minute of the opening canto. Marty was in superb condition and soon came back to rock Red with good left hooks and uppercuts.

With the beginning of the next round, the 31-year-old titleholder visibly began to show effects of the two previous kayos he had suffered at the hands of Rocky Graziano. Cochrane's timing was away off as he swung wildly, missing time and again in desperate attempts to keep the challenger at bay.

Servo was the boss all the way in the third round as he scored continuously with his left hook and worked the portside poke to good advantage in close. Cochrane's nose was bleeding slightly at the close of the stanza.

In the fatal fourth, Servo trapped Cochrane after about one minute of the round had elapsed, and staggered the Jerseyite with a rapid-fire barrage of lefts and rights which made Red's knees buckle. Cochrane tried gamely to come back, but another flurry of punches drove him into Servo's corner where he sprawled helplessly. Cochrane arose just after Referee Eddie Joseph had tolled the count of ten, then slumped against the ropes, and had to be assisted back to his corner.

In the preliminaries, Ruby Kessler, 140½, Brooklyn, and Leo Romanello, 141, also of Brooklyn, slugged away for six sizzling sessions with Kessler copping the duke. Another good six saw Al Mobley, 140½, Newark, N. J., outpoint Johnny Dell, 137½, Brooklyn.

A six staged after the championship contest resulted in victory for Lou Valles, 150¾, New York, who packed too much power for Jiggs Donohue, 154, Philadelphia. Joe Aponte Torres, 125, Puerto Rico, defeated Ossie Rodriquez, 125½, Brooklyn, in six rounds.

The opening four went to George Baltieri, 141, when he nosed out Oscar Lewis, 139, New York.

Larry Fontana, 161, youthful Brooklyn middleweight, used an effective left hook consistently over the eight-round route to defeat the more experienced Johnny Jones, 159, Pittsburgh, Pa., in the main go at the Ridgewood Grove.

A sellout crowd, the fifth in succession to turn out to witness Matchmaker Moe Fleischer's offerings, saw Fontana capture six out of the eight frames.

In the six-round semi-final, Joey Varoff, 144, East Side, scored a knockout over Johnny Mira, 143½, Bay Ridge, when Referee Anthony Malfi stopped the bout because of a severe cut over Johnny's right eye. Another slated six ended in 1:31 of the third round when Oscar Goode, 182, Newark, N. J., belted out Frankie Thomas, 180, Bronx.

Other prelims saw Nick Melli, 153, Bay Ridge, defeat Nat Hutchins, 148, Newark; Mel Hawkins, 162, Jamaica, L. I., whipped Jim McVey, 163, San Francisco; John King, 155, Harlem, halted Teddy Wilson, 152½, Bronx, in 1:21 of the third stanza.

Ex-Lt. Bob Boucher, 152, Nebraska City, Neb., made short work of Art Shepard, 147½, Brooklyn, flattening the latter in 2:38 of round one.

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man Williams, 161¾, Detroit, showed 2,994 assembled Gothamites at the St. Nicholas Arena, why, after fourteen years in the game, he still remains one of the best middleweights in the world, as he easily disposed of Aaron "Tiger" Wade, 169¾, Los Angeles, in 2:28 of the fourth round of a scheduled ten.

Williams bashed the chunky Wade with everything but the ringposts as he smothered the Tiger in a shower of leather to floor him twice for nine counts in the second round. In the fourth, Holman continued his clever boxing and sharp punching, and after opening the Californian up, he dumped him to a sitting position on the canvas where Wade sat dazedly while Referee Billy Cavanagh counted him out.

Onelio Agramonte, 177¼, a newcomer from Cuba, was exceptionally impressive as he made short work of Johnny Davis, 188¼, Brooklyn, in 58 seconds of the opening round. A couple of terrific rights to Davis' chin ended this scheduled six in short order.

Art Tatta, 161½, New Haven, Conn., battered Harry Gary, 162½, New York, freely to win a six-round decision. In another six, Oscar Lewis, 135¼, Newark, won from Jose Guitterez, 133, Mexico. Wendy Wilson, 151, Trinidad, B.W.I., knocked out Charley Howard, 149¼, Pittsburgh, Pa., in 56 seconds of the fourth of a slated six rounder.

Guillermo Rizco, 141, Mexico, knocked out Johnny Fees, 139½, Brooklyn, in :31 of the second round in the scheduled four-round curtain raiser.

Jimmy Doyle, 149¾, classy Los Angeles, Cal., welterweight, was greatly extended while winning a split ten-round decision over rough Joe Reddick, 153½, Paterson, N. J., at the Broadway Arena.

A crowd of 4000, including Barney Ross, saw Reddick cause Doyle plenty of trouble with his aggressive tactics. Jimmy was penalized the fifth round for backhanding.

Referee Jack Watson awarded the bout to Doyle, scoring it five rounds to four, with one even. Judge Mike Parisi had it six rounds to four; while Judge Bill Healy saw Reddick a big winner, seven rounds to three.

In the six rounders, Russ Hawkins, 147½, Jamaica, L. I., beat Joe Torres, 141½, Puerto Rico; Lee Black, 158¾, Harlem, stopped Art Shepherd, 150¾, Brooklyn, in 1:07 of the fifth, and Doug Ratford, 141, Brooklyn, whipped Al Victoria, 141, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

Luther McMillan, 169, Brooklyn, outpointed Mitchell Roberts, 166½, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, in a four, and Al Mazerol, 140, Limestone, Me., halted Elvin Coleman, 145, New York, in 2:25 of the fourth.

Joey LaMotta, 160¼, Bronx, punched his way to an eight-round decision over Bobby Berger, 151, Chicago, in the feature eight-round bout at the Park Arena before a capacity crowd who contributed to a gate of $5,471.

Although Berger was the more experienced and seasoned scrapper of the two, LaMotta was too strong and aggressive for the Chicagoan.

Walter Stevens, 140, Fort Dix, knocked out Woody Winslow, 138½, New York, in 1:57 of the fourth of the slated semi-final six. Art Saxell, 165, Los Angeles, defeated Lew Perez, 159¾, Puerto Rico, in six. A third six went to Ernie Butler, 152, Brooklyn, when he gained the decision over Teddy O'Dell, 155½, Passaic, N. J.

In a four, Pat Kitt, 131½, outboxed Frankie Vann, 133¾, Bayonne, N. J.

Johnny Greco, 145¼, Montreal welterweight contender, and Beau Jack, 142, Augusta, Ga., usually two of the most popular thrill providers in action, were a keen disappointment to an overflow gathering of 18,941 fans at Madison Square Garden as they wearily plodded their way to a ten-round draw.

The customers, some of whom came as early as 3 p.m. to be assured of admission, while others paid twenty dollars a copy for ringside seats, or a stiff fee for standing room, rent the air with boos and jeers as the two men fought at a snail's pace during the latter part of the bout.

The draw verdict, the first in a Garden star bout in a year, came about when Referee Ruby Goldstein awarded five rounds to Jack, three to Greco, and called two even. Judge Marty Monroe saw it at five rounds apiece, and when he tallied his points, found that each man had earned five, and called it a draw. Judge Frank Forbes had Greco in front five rounds to four, with one even, which was the way THE RING correspondent had it.

Greco started off well, forcing the Beau into his own corner at the opening bell and got home some stiff shots to the midsection and chin. The bout was a good one in the early rounds as Jack came back to take the second frame after a fierce exchange of punches. Greco continued his crowding tactics, trapping the Georgia Negro along the ropes.

In the fourth and fifth frames, Jack, who seemed lethargic, opened up to score with some of his famed bolos and stabbed Greco silly with his rapid left jab. Along about the seventh, both boys tired palpably, and in contrast to the fast and furious pace they had set earlier in the bout, the action thereafter was extremely dull.

The receipts of $148,152 were a record for men below the heavyweight class. Beau Jack figured in the best previous gate when he and the late Al Davis packed the Garden to the tune of $132,823.

The prelims were good as Julio Cesar Jiminez, 138, Mexico, scored another hit when he outpointed Baby Al Brown, 139, Panama, in a corking six. Another thriller resulted when Ruby Kessler, 139½, Brooklyn, and Leo Romanello, 140½, Brooklyn, slammed away for six heats with Kessler battering and dropping his man to take the duke. Sal Richie, 148, New York, won in six from Ray Powell, 144, Newark, N. J.

In a six staged after the Greco-Jack go, Vic Pignataro, 140¼, whipped Willie Odom, 140¼, New York. Russ Hawkins, 150, Jamaica, L. I., came off the floor to defeat Bobby Cummings, 147, Philadelphia, in an emergency four-rounder. Joe Lucignano, 144, Hoboken, N. J., tore right into Nick Restaino, 144, Newark, N. J., in the opening four and stopped the latter at 2:12 of the initial canto.

Coolidge Miller, 165½, Brooklyn, repeated his earlier upset victory over the tough Jerry Fiorello, 163½, Brooklyn, in the ten-round feature at the Ridgewood Grove before a capacity crowd of 4,200.

The decision was a split one with Referee Young Otto and Judge John Potter favoring Miller six rounds to four, and Judge Gus Galli casting the dissenting vote in favor of Fiorello, seven rounds to two, with one even.

Davey "Red" Allen, 127¾, Yorkville, knocked out Lou Lang, 122, Harlem, in 2:26 of the third round of a scheduled six. Another six ended abruptly as Oscar Williams, 138½, Bronx, fired a right under the heart of Salvador Arredon, 133, Mexico, to finish him in 1:20 of round one.

Other bouts saw Doug Ratford, 140½, Brooklyn, defeat George B. Smith, 143¾, Hawaii, in six, while Hugh Stell, 147¾, Los Angeles, Cal., won from Jerry Brown, 145½, Brooklyn, in a four spot. Al Mazerol, 138½, Limestone, Me., knocked out Johnny Land, 132½, Newark, N. J., in 1:54 of the second round of a slated four.

Unbeaten Charley Fusari, 143, highly heralded Irvington, N. J., youngster, had to go all out to defeat the veteran Maxie Berger, 147, Bronx, in a hotly contested ten-rounder at the St. Nicholas Arena.

A crowd of 3591 tried hard to root Berger into victory as he cagily strove to avoid being flattened by the deadly-punching Fusari. Crouching and covering up, Berger not only defended himself, but going into the six round was slightly ahead as he thumped Charley with some good left hooks and rights to the face.

Fusari boxed steadily and won the last five frames with ease. In the tenth heat he finally nailed the wobbly Berger to spill him for a two-count as the gong sounded ending the battle. The decision in favor of the fast-rising Fusari was unanimous.

Danny Carabella, 121, Puerto Rico, danced rings around Richie Myashiro, 120, Philippines, to take a six-round decision. Andy "Buster" Peppe, 170, Greenwich Village, battered Harry Gary, 164, Detroit, with everything but the stool, yet failed to dent him in winning a six-round bout. Another six saw Joe Albina, 159½, Jamesburg, N. J., outfight Lee Black, 158, Brooklyn.

A scheduled six staged after the main event, failed to go the distance when Warren Peterson, 175½, Jamaica, L. I., stopped Oscar Goode, 183, Newark, N. J., with a cut eye at 1:14 of the fourth stanza. In the opener, Joe Lucignano, 144¾, Hoboken, N. J., won from Guillermo Rizco, 141½, Mexico.

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COVERING NEW ENGLAND

By MARK FANNON

BOSTON ARENA—Garvey "Lefty" Young is as colorful as ever and apparently that spinal injury he got fighting Vic Colteaux in the Pacific in 1943, has not hurt him. That much was apparent when he ruined Patsy Zacone, 144½, New York, in the first frame.

Garvey, 144, now a civilian, tore out of his corner after the none too willing New Yorker. One short left and Zacone hung on like a drowned rat. That seemed to be enough for Patsy. Shortly after, he was dropped by another left, got up and was spilled twice more, taking the full count on the last knockdown. Time: 1 minute and 21 seconds.

Vinnie Vasso, 134½, Revere, a lad returning to home rings after piling up some nice wins elsewhere, was not able to give Boston fans any indication of his real ability, by disposing of Jimmy Davis, 134½, Negro, of New York. Davis didn't offer any more opposition than did Zacone. He struck a few poses, bent down in a ducking position, then was tagged with a solid right to the temple, which floored him, and he was counted out.

Davy Andrews, at 138, lighter than he has been for some time, stole the show by stopping Negro Eddie Dowl, 135, Newark, N. J., in the seventh. The Lowell Golden Boy never looked better, displaying more speed and quicker thinking than heretofore.

Dowl, though willing, never caused Davy much trouble but kept him on his toes by his tricky style. After Andrews sat Dowl down with a solid left to the jaw in the fifth, Dowl began to weaken and offered less opposition.

Buddy Brown, 156, Boston, Negro, won over southpaw Pat Moynahan, 152, East Boston, in 4.

Johnny Woods, 141½, Negro, Boston, won a close decision over Billy Napper, 144, also Negro, of Boston (4).

Tony Roberts, 130, Boston, stopped Art Hall, 133½, Roxbury (2).

Worcester—Johnny Moran, 149½, Cambridge, kayoed Jimmy Mooney, 148½, Worcester, in the fifth. Mooney, who had scored a fine win the week before by stopping Oscar St. Pierre in one heat, was on the canvas six times; Moran three times.

Tony Shumway, 161, Webster, won the eight-round decision over Al Barbosa, 161, North Carver. Hank Burak, 228, giant Hyde Park heavy, arose from a nine count to chill Young Jack Dempsey, 177½, Dover, N. H. (2).

Lewiston, Me.—Armand Michaud, 142, Lisbon, won the welterweight title of Maine by halting Al Wooster, 140, Frankfort, in 3.

Mechanics Building, Boston—For the first time in four years, we have a New England featherweight champ. Timothy "Buddy" Hayes, 124½, South End, won a split decision over Jackie Harris, 125½, of Malden, in 12 classic rounds of fighting to capture that prize. Willie Pep and Sal Bartolo have their own titles to contend with, so do not care for the N. E. crown. A jammed house saw the show and paid $9092 to get in.

In losing, Harris looked good, winding up the fight with a two-fisted attack that left Hayes stumbling and holding on. The little Malden Fighting Fool tore into Hayes from the opening gong, took everything he had to offer, and wound up strong and fresh.

Hayes looked drawn, and faded in the closing rounds. Whether it was caused by the attack of "flu" he had a few weeks previously or whether Harris punched too hard, is not known. Hayes, a popular kid with a lot of natural ability, boxes and hits well, and piled up a lot of points with that sharp shooting left of his. He is a popular champ.

We don't usually talk about promoters, preferring to give the publicity to the battlers within ropes, but we must admit that Sam Silverman, the promoter, has done a good job with his clubs. The show was all that could be desired. Sam is a young man who is doing a bang-up job in developing new talent.

There are some men who just won't go down. Billy Marcus, 134, Hartford, who fought "Spider" Armstrong, 129½, Boston, is one of them. The referee had to stop the affair in the ninth.

Armstrong gave Marcus a two-fisted lacing all the way, hitting him flush on the jaw with all his power—punches that knocked his other foes in grotesque positions. Yet Marcus took them all. Then would slam a few of his own, although they did not bother the "Spider" very much.

Joe Albanese, 159, East Boston southpaw, won over Young Brown Bomber, 157, Boston, in six hard fighting rounds. The Bomber, one of those rangy Negro lads with a kick in either mitt, floored Albanese in the second with a right to the jaw after being punched around in the first part of the round. Both were tired at the end with Joe doing the smarter work all along.

Harold Christensen, 167, Hyde Park, won a six-round split decision over Tom McKeagney, 164, Quincy. Freddie Hullums, 140½, Attleboro, stopped Joe Palaza, 136½, Roxbury, in the fourth.

Burlington, Vt.—Vernon "Kid" Laro, 139½, Lynn, kayoed Mickey Page, 138, Boston, in five. Hub Parker, 155, Newport, stopped Mickey Connolly, 158, Boston (4).

Boston Garden—Al "Red" Priest, 155, Cambridge, out-fought battle-worn Fritzie Zivic, 151½, Pittsburgh, in 10 rounds, before 8903 fans. Zivic won but two rounds, the first and the ninth. Priest was the aggressor all the way and though he didn't have the old veteran in danger, he gave him a going over.

Johnny Forte, 137, Philadelphia, knocked out Ted Christie, 136, Detroit, in two rounds. Johnny Priest, 140, Cambridge, stopped Joe Gillis, 139½, Springfield, in three heats. Johnny Johnson, 159, Philadelphia, won the decision over Eddie Rossi, 160, Everett, in a six-rounder, Jimmy Troy, 146, North End, won over Carter Holmes, 142, Boston, four. Billy Smith, 137, Medford, stopped Bob Stemper, 134, Medford, two.

Salem—Lew Jenkins, 139½, Sweetwater, Texas, making another comeback, put away Jerry Zullo, 140, Chelsea, in two heats. Johnny Mara, 155, Boston, kayoed Jimmy Davis, 160, USN, in three.

Bangor, Me.—Armand Michaud, 142, Lisbon, outpointed Billy Napper, 147, Boston, eight. Willie Leo, 130, Portland, TKO'ed Bobby Fuller, 134, Boston, two.

Brockton—John Henry Eskew, 170, Brockton, battled Harry Daniels, 165, New York, to a 10-round draw. Irish Bob Flanagan, 159, Boston, outpointed Al Pinnel, 162, New Bedford.

Fall River—Buddy Farrell, 155, Newark, N. J., beat Jimmy Mills, 156, New York, in 10. Gene Leblanc, 131, Fall River, stopped Billy Constance, 124, Dover, N. H. (2).

Newport, Vt.—Leo Methot, 129, Montreal, and Kid Lebrun, 130, Quebec, drew in eight. Tony Morando, 179, Newport, halted Frankie Stott, 179, Albany (2).

Boston Arena—Dennis Patrick Brady, 130, Hartford, boyish looking dynamo, whipped Vinnie Vasso, 131½, tough Revere boy, over the 10-round route.

Brady is a throwback to the old days—a confident, colorful, twofisted hitter who likes a fight. He isn't too clever, but is tricky and can drop any feather with his blows. Because Vinnie didn't go down, was more credit to him, for he was nailed often and hard enough.

Vasso was the better boxer and when he threw straight lefts to Pat's face and pressed the fight, he did OK, but he didn't employ these tactics enough. Midway in the fracas, he began to duck down low, leaving himself in range for the fast punching Irish lad.

Brady, looking like a college freshman, is going to cause a lot of trouble in the featherweight class.

Davy Andrews, 140, Lowell, fighting one of his good fights, whipped Joe Polowitzer, 138, Hartford southpaw (8).

Andrews opened up by hitting Polowitzer with everything but the post, in the first frame. But the kid wouldn't go down. He came back well and caught Dave with a lot of lefts to the face, but he seemed too weak from the first round pounding to hurt Andrews.

The eighth was a big Andrews' round, when Davy had the tough lad staggering about for the second time in the bout, but could not down him.

Eddie Rossi, 173, Everett, came ahead strong in the closing rounds, to take the six-round decision over Harold Christensen, 168, Hyde Park.

Johnny Woods, 142, Dorchester, won the decision over Billy Napper, 148, Boston, in six. This was a return bout between these Negro boys, with Woods improving over past bouts.

Worcester—Jack (Spider) Armstrong, 129½, Boston, got a surprise by being held to a draw in eight rounds by Midget Mayo, 127½, Philadelphia.

Bobby Pryor, 148, Holyoke, stopped Jack Singer, 149, Boston (3). Billy Landry, 168, outfought Mike Gagne, 174, Spencer, in six.

Brunswick, Me.—Blond Tiger, 132, Lowell, Mass., won over Lloyd (Scotty) Hudson, 129, Bath (8). Norman Perigny, 169, Lowell, stopped Joe Tanguay, 153, Worcester (3).

Mechanics Building—Bill Weinberg, 211, Chelsea, meeting his first stiff test since his discharge from the Coast Guard, whipped Jay D. Turner, 225, Dallas, Texas, in ten rounds.

Art McAlpine, 182, Springfield, arose from a knockdown in the first frame, to battle his way to a split decision over Clent Conway, 180, New York, in the eight-round semi-final.

Tom McKeagney, 165, Quincy, was awarded a K.O. over Bill Landry, 166, Worcester, in the fourth, when the referee stopped the fight due to a cut eye suffered by Landry.

Johnny Melko, 187, Worcester, wound up strong to get the six-round decision over Steve Ketchel, 204, Fall River. Johnny Mara, 157, South Boston, beat Freddie Fields, 165, Chelsea (4).

Lewiston, Me.—Leo Methot, 131, Montreal, battled the Blond Tiger, 129, Lowell, to a draw (8).

Salem—Steve Kronis, 130, hard-punching southpaw of Boston stopped Santiago Rivera, 134, Mexico City (6). Johnny Mara, 162, Boston, stopped Jim Davis, 168, Nova Scotia (5).

Manchester, N. H.—Floriant Desmarais, Manchester, N. H., beat Joe Celetti, Providence lightweight, in ten rounds.

Brockton—Coming in as a substitute, Al Smith, 133, Newark, N. J., won over Billy Marcus, 135, Hartford, in ten rounds. Arthur Morris, 146, Boston, outfought Rolly Gomez, 153, Fall River (6).

Bangor, Me.—Leo Methot, Montreal featherweight, took the measure of Johnny Campbell, Brewer, Me., in eight. Tommy Burns, 172, Hampden, got the nod over Eddie Turner, 172, Bangor (6).

Portland, Me.—Fighting for the third time this month, Johnny Mara, Boston, and Ed Letourneau, Sanford, battled to a ten-round draw. Willie Leo, 130, Portland, won over Eddie Berry, 130½, Portland (3).

Fall River—Bobby English, 131, this city, kayoed his fellow townsman Gene LeBlanc, 130, in the sixth of a ten-round bout. Steve Ketchel, 209, Fall River, kayoed Johnny Melko, 188, Worcester, in four, in their return go.

Boston Garden—Joe Blackwood, 156, Newark, N. J., the only lad to beat Al "Red" Priest in pro circles, looked forward to a return go by whipping veteran Izzy Jannazzo, 154½, Baltimore, in ten rounds.

Jannazzo won the fourth and fifth frames, but after that he took a pounding from the hard-hitting Negro lad. Jannazzo was a sub for Joey LaMotta, who had blood poisoning.

George "Wildcat" Henry, 160, New York, had enough of a lead to overcome Lou Woods' (157, Detroit) strong ending, winning the nod in the ten-round semi-final.

Joe Loomis, 209, Dorchester, kayoed Bill Ryan, 176, Cambridge, in the first frame. Young Brown Bomber, 160, Boston, came past Tony Petro, 161½, Albany, a sub for Joe Albanese, in six rounds.

Worcester—Jackie Harris, 129, Malden, fighting better than ever, stopped Corky Davis, 132½, Worcester, in six. Bob Flanagan, 157, Boston, halted Tony Shumway, 160, Webster (5). Len Lavoie, 137, Shrewsbury, stopped Henry Briere, 133, Putnam, Ct. (4).

Lewiston, Me.—Ted Drew, 156, Lewiston, halted Billy Letourneau, 160, Coaticook, Quebec (2).

Burlington, Vt.—Joe Albanese, 156, Boston, southpaw, knocked out Jackie Singer, 152, Toronto, in three.

Mechanics Building, Boston—Tommy Sullivan, 169½, South Boston, kayoed veteran Jackie Caparell, 165½, Roxbury, in the seventh frame of a great fight. Caparell announced his retirement from the ring after his game stand.

Sullivan, in great shape, was too anxious at the start, missing his hardest punches. Caparell hit the Irishman some nice shots while retreating. Tommy got the range in the sixth, opening up with a two-fisted barrage which left Jackie stumbling and glassy-eyed. At the bell for the seventh, Tommy tore into the Roxbury lad and they slugged it out until Caparell went down for the count.

Art Ramsey, 196, elongated Boston boy, stopped mauler Jerry "Schoolboy" Berthiaume, 182, Montreal, in the ninth. The Montreal lad at first refused to meet Ramsey, but later consented. He put up a good fight until the ninth, when he fell and took Ramsey with him. Ramsey got up first, but Jerry elected to remain until the count of "ten" was tolled off.

John Henry Eskew, 167½, Brockton, New England's best light-heavyweight, whipped Negro Al Evans, 160, Montreal, Canadian middleweight champion, in ten rounds.

Irish Bob Flanagan, 159, Boston, chilled Johnny Mara, 157, South Boston, in the third. Billy Smith, 139, Medford, one of Al Delmont's boys, used a straight left to beat "Chick" Jones, 140, Boston, Negro, by decision in four.

Boston Arena—Al "Red" Priest, 155, Boston's best drawing card, chilled Bobby Berger, 150½, Chicago, in two heats.

Berger won the first round, as Red's opponents usually do, because he feels them out in this frame, but Priest went to town in the second. A right to the jaw put the Chicagoan out for keeps, making a total of 20 "pro" fights for "Red."

Joe Polowitzer, 137½, Hartford, upset the other half of the Priest family, by beating Johnny Priest, 139, Cambridge, in the eight-round semi-final. Polowitzer, a southpaw, was too rough and tough for the rangy lad.

Buddy Brown, 156, Boston, upset the dope by taking a six-round split decision over Jimmy Sauer, 153, Cambridge.

Johnny Woods, 144, Dorchester, halted Young Corbett III, 147, Quincy, in the first. Frankie Waters, 131, North End, won the four-round nod over Leon Jackson, 134, Cambridge.

Salem—Tommy Greb, 128, Boston, kept up his winning streak, when Teddy Swain, 125, Toronto, had to stop in the second frame because of a dislocated shoulder. Al Barbosa, 155, Boston, outboxed Al Pinel, 158, New Bedford (6). Herb Colby, 180, Beverly, stopped Ed DeMarco, 185, Fall River (1). Colby Benson, 138, Gloucester, won over Tom Sheldon, 135, Saugus (4). Benny Thomas, 161, Boston, halted Phil Mooney, 155, Nova Scotia (3).

Manchester, N. H.—Lew Jenkins, 139, Sweetwater, Texas, apparently had too much reputation for Johnny Cool, 138, Worcester, was disqualified in the second for not trying. Willard Buckless, 158, Saugus, decisioned Maurice Cloutier, 160, Manchester, in the eight-round semi-final.

Brockton—Tony Costa, 132, Woonsocket, R. I., a good feather before the war, knocked out Charlie Kelley, 129, Detroit, in the fifth, for his first win as a civilian. Johnnie Melko, 182, Worcester, beat Tommy Doyle, 200, Fall River, in the six-round semi-final.

Fall River—Luce "Lucky" Lima, 142, Hartford, beat Oscar St. Pierre, 143½, Fall River, in the ten-round main event.

Billy Zaduck, 138, Toronto, and Benny Delgado, 139, Providence, drew (6).

Newport, Vt.—Hub Parker, 165, Newport, Vt., outfought Roger Bisson, 164, Quebec, in eight. Gene Richards, 118, Montreal, won over Ben Charette, 112, Lennoxville, Quebec (8).

Portland, Me.—Eden Germaine, 133, Portland, won a unanimous decision over Billy Marcus, 134, Hartford (8). A relentless slugging attack by Germaine had Marcus hanging on the ropes in the fourth and seventh rounds. Ivan Jones, 125½, Portland, knocked out Eddie Comiskey, 122, Lewiston (2).

Bangor, Me.—Leo Methot, 136, Montreal, outpointed the Blond Tiger, 132, Lowell, in eight rounds. Bob Rand, 172, Lowell, knocked out Eddie Turner, 170, Bangor (4).

Worcester—Johnny Moran, 149, Cambridge, dropped Al Bojack, 153, Central Falls, R. I., three times in scoring a K.O. in the third frame. Pat Doyle, 146, Fall River, stopped Lenny Lavoie, 142, Shrewsbury, in the third. Pete Noka, 139, Brockton, gained a four-round decision over Al Hallie, 138, Fitchburg, Roland Gomes, 151, Fall River, stopped Johnny Prance, 156, Worcester, in 1:11 of the first round, and Jimmy Dunn, 158, Boston, flattened Ollie Wilson, 163, Worcester, in two minutes of the first round in the prelims.

Brunswick, Me.—Bobby Pooler, 139, Portland, relieved Al Michaud, 144, Lisbon, of his newly acquired State welterweight title, by beating him over the ten-round route. Henry Goupil, 118, stopped Kid Boucher, 115, Lewiston, in four.

Boston Garden—It took the dynamite in Gus "Pell" Mell's right glove to break the winning (40 straight) of Johnny Cesario. Mell, 140¼, Montreal, exploded those rights on Cesario, 138½, North End, dropping him twice for nine counts in the sixth and eighth. Again he dropped the classy North Ender towards the close of the tenth for a six-count, which left him staggering at the bell.

Cleo Everett, 200, New York, halted Ralph Ivins, 196, Brunswick, N. J., in the fifth after a tough scrap.

Hal Glassman, 186, Philadelphia, beat Jimmy White, 185, New York, easily over the six-round route.

A bad cut over his left eye forced Eddie Rossi, 165, Everett, to stop in the second, in his battle with the Young Brown Bomber, 161, Boston.

John Bartelino, 137, North End, won over Eddie Hudson, 135, Bath, Maine (4).

Newport, Vt.—Tommy Bivins, 175, Cleveland, outfought Babe Beattie, 180, Montreal (8).

Lewiston, Me.—Leo Methot, 131½, Montreal, and Lloyd Hudson, 132½, Bath, Me., drew (8).

From Henry Jolly, former RING correspondent from New Hampshire, comes the following results from that state.

Manchester, N. H.—Main Bout: Floriant Desmarais, won over Joe Celetti, ten rounds. Jackie Perkins beat Billy Constance, Dover, N. H., bantam, in five rounds. Maurice Cloutier stopped Jackie Singer (1). Felix Thomas stopped Pete Sinagula (1). Jim Worcester stopped George Ruest (1).

Concord, N. H.—Maurice Cloutier, Manchester, N. H., won the decision over Joe Gans (10). Tom Nadeau stopped Mike Colton (1). Kid Konager lost the six-round decision to Young Thomas. Gordon Hoyt stopped Pete Sinagula (1). Bobby Conway stopped Steve Worcester (1).

Boston Arena—Victor Flores, 131, Mexico City, featherweight champion of Mexico, who recently stopped the winning streak of Pat Brady, found Pedro Biesca's style to his liking and knocked out the gent in two rounds. Biesca, 133½, also of Mexico City, forced the issue as usual but his open style was a nice target for the left and right hooks tossed by Flores. Pedro was dropped four times.

Because of an injury to his jaw, Pat Doyle, 142, Fall River, had to surrender to Dave Andrews, 140, Lowell, at the end of the fifth frame of the eight-round semi-final.

Jimmie Pettie, 153, Woburn, won the decision over Ronald Gomez, 150, Fall River (6). Tommy Doyle, 199, Fall River, halted Al Tumas, 205, Dorchester, in two. Joe Carney, 132, New York, stopped Charley Kelly, 130, Detroit (2).

Salem—Ernie Forte, 146, Providence, punched out a clean-cut win over Beverly Carter, 146, Toronto, in the ten-round main event.

Irish Bob Flanagan, 158, Boston, added another kayo to his record by disposing of Norman Perigny, 165, Lowell, in the first canto.

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IN THE NEW JERSEY CORNER

By HARRY MANSBACH

JOE CURCIO emerged with a ten-round decision over Aaron Perry of Washington, D. C., in the feature bout at the Elizabeth Armory. Referee Paul Cavalier gave a 7-3 decision for the local southpaw, who was down for a count in the tenth round.

Three six-rounders ended in knockouts. Harry Preston, 143, N.Y.C., dropped Al Simon, 136, Corona, L. I., three times for a third round knockout. Freddie Hermann, 130, Elizabeth, knocked out Ray Rogers, 125, Hackensack. Red Applegate, 186, Bloomfield, Curcio's stablemate, flattened Ernie Petretti, 194, Bronx, in 1:14 of the first round. Harold Barsky, 149, N.Y.C., outpointed Leo Evans, 142, Newark, in four.

Freddie Archer's two-handed barrage enabled him to win a ten-round decision from Joey Peralta of Tamaqua, Pa., in the Orange Armory. Archer weighed 146, Peralta, 141.

Sandy Saddler, 129, N.Y.C., knocked out Arvey Bowie, 134, N.Y.C., in the first round of a scheduled six. Enrique Rodea, 135, Mexican, floored Sal Arredon, 155, N.Y.C., twice to take a six-round decision. Johnnie Johnson, 161, outpointed Harry Daniel, 164, in a lively tilt.

Jimmy Corti, 134, Trenton, outpointed Tommy Monty, 128, Brooklyn, at the Masonic Hall, Highland Park, in an eight-round bout. In six-rounders, Joey Carkido, 137, Youngstown, decisioned Nat Hutchins, 142, Newark, and Jimmy Esposito, 138, Elizabeth, outpointed Ellie Simley, 137, Los Angeles. Ernie Durando, 152, Bayonne, decisioned Willie Radin, 152, Newark, in a four.

The Newark Laurel Gardens has reopened. It is completely redecorated. It was renovated after having been closed a month due to a fire.

Dom Amoroso, of Jersey City, took a close decision from Georgie Cooper of Harlem, in the ten-round headliner at the Jersey City Gardens. Amoroso weighed 136, Cooper 129. Danny Randi, 141, Jersey City, knocked out Jackie Savino, 136, N. Y., in the second round of a scheduled six-rounder. Bobby Dance, 166, Williamsburg, N. Y., scored a technical knockout over Benny Davis, 160, N.Y.C., in the second round. Charlie Spino, 145, Hoboken, scored a third round T.K.O. over Howard Gordon, 146, Jamaica.

Jersey Joe Wolcott, 192, Camden, knocked out Johnny Allen, 202, Philadelphia, in the third round of the feature attraction at Camden. Wolcott continued his winning streak in preparation for a major contest with Jimmy Bivins, Buck Streator, 142, Haddonfield, knocked out Glenn Nelson, 143, Philadelphia, in the third round.

Allie Stolz won an easy decision over Victor Flores, Mexican youth, in the feature eight-round fight in Elizabeth Armory. Freddie Hermann, wounded soldier of the Battle of the Bulge, and once German prisoner, lost a six-round decision to George Martin, N.Y.C. Martin weighed 135, Hermann 131. Willie Odom, 140, N.Y.C., knocked out Leroy Greenwood, 141, Long Branch, in the first round. Jimmie Alexander, 147, Paterson, kayoed Everett Champam, 139, N.Y.C., in the first round of another scheduled six.

This writer has compiled a complete listing of all New Jersey promoters, matchmakers, fight clubs, and their addresses and locations. Send twenty-five cents with self-addressed stamped envelope for list to Harry Mansbach, 37 Arlington St., Newark 2, N. J. Boxers who are willing to show around New Jersey and New York and have no managerial ties, can contact same.

Chuck Taylor, a newcomer from Pittsburgh, took Orange Armory boxing patrons by storm as he peppered out an eight-round decision over Freddie Archer. Referee Cavalier awarded Taylor every round but the third and sixth which he gave to the Newark favorite. Archer weighed 145½, Taylor 145.

Mario Centi, Kearny, turned in a four-round victory over Danny Williams, Newark. The latter was unable to start the fourth round because of a badly cut nose. Centi scaled 145 and Williams 139. Eddie Martin, former Detroiter, won a six-round decision over Fred Patterson, Rochester. Martin, 141, and Patterson 150. The gate receipts amounted to over $4000.

Ray Robinson, No. 1 contender for the world's welterweight boxing championship, took on Tony Riccio of Bayonne at the Elizabeth Armory and the fans who jammed the drill shed, saw Ray at his best, as he proceeded to chop down the same Hudson County boy in the fourth round of their scheduled ten-round contest.

Artie Towne, N.Y.C., 152, won a decision over George Smith, N.Y.C., 146, in a six. Archie Stark, 134, N.Y.C., won a six-round decision over Oscar Williams, N.Y.C., 136. The gate receipts amounted to $17,000 of which 10 per cent of the net proceeds went to the Infantile Paralysis Fund. Robinson also donated his share of the purse, minus training expenses.

LITTLE RHODY'S FISTIC HIGHLIGHTS

By EDDIE BECK

BOXING will boom in Little Rhody if local promoters give the fight fans attractive matches. Both Manny Almeida and Dave Cashman have started the year on the right track and could easily make this the biggest year in local boxing history. Benny Delgado, classy young lightweight, climbed a couple of rungs higher in local standing by adding two spectacular knockouts to his record.

Jackie Webber, former amateur star, has started on a pro career. Webber, recently released from the Navy, won many bouts during his hitch. Al Bailey is managing this fine looking prospect.

Bobby Zollo, hard-hitting welter made short work of his last two opponents. Bobby will battle Lew Jenkins, former lightweight champion, in Boston.

Mike Silvestro returned from overseas with the 78th division light-heavyweight title. Paulie Martilline, a former pro boxer, will manage him should he turn pro.

Steve Duell, a good prospect before the war, is unable to continue in the game because of wounds received in Europe.

Larry Bolvin is a boxing instructor at the Providence Jewish Center.

Tony Costa, Woonsocket flash, has returned to the ring after being discharged from the Army.

Ernie Forte has resumed boxing. Ernie will be seen at Manny Almeida's Punch Palace shortly.

Bob Melee, New Haven pilot, who handled Johnny Bellus and Al Gainer, batted 1000 at a recent visit here. Jimmy Rogers was the best of his three performers. Melee is seeking a match with Patsy Brandino and Joey Angelo for Rogers.

Eddie Soares is back in the gym after a trip to Europe as a merchant seaman. Soares compiled an envious record in his brief fling as a pro.

Larry McManus, West Warwick manager of Ernie Guisti and Jolting Jimmy Ruzzo, was suspended for three months but two weeks later he was in the corner with Guisti.

Gene Farland, hard-hitting middle, has scored three straight wins.

Jackie Leamus sprung the first upset of the year when he beat Patsy Brandino, a ten to three favorite.

Larrupin' Lou Tavares, pleasing West Warwick lightweight, has scored nine consecutive wins.

Results of the Month at the Elks Club—Julie Kogon, 135¼, New Haven, knocked out Tommy Daniels, 136¼, Brooklyn, in the first round of a scheduled 10-round bout.

Martin Tabor, 120, Providence knocked out Billy Constance, 121, Dover, N. H., in one round.

Lou Tavares, 139, West Warwick, beat Joey Wanick, 130¾, New Haven, in six rounds.

George Boner, 199, New Haven, stopped Ted Eolzar, 180, Dover, N. H., in one round of the opening four.

Benny Delgado, promising local lightweight, was scheduled to appear in another six, but his opponent failed to show up.

At the Elks Club—Pete Virgin, 130¾, Schenectady, N. Y., beat Jerry Darby, 131½, N. Y., in a ten-round main go.

Tony Roberts, 121, Boston, beat Martin Tabor, 118½, on a split vote in a six-round semi-final.

Al Deacon, 146¾, Providence, beat Tony Petro, 153, Boston, in six.

Lou Tavares, 141½, West Warwick, beat Bob Fuller, 135, Boston, in another six.

Gene Farland, 170, Providence, beat Al Pinel, 160, New Bedford, in a four.

One thousand one hundred forty-eight fans paid a gross gate of $2629.98 at Elks Auditorium to see a boxing show promoted by the Downtown Athletic Club.

At the Elks Club—Bobby Zollo of East Providence was a knockout winner over Al Franklin of Washington, D. C., after 2:43 of the fifth round. . . . Until that period, Mr. Franklin was giving a very impressive exhibition of defensive boxing skill.

Cerefino Bronco of Fall River was a knockout winner over Jackie Singer of Toronto in 1:15 of the first round.

Benny Delgado of Fox Point won from Art Morris of Boston on a knockout in the second round. . . . Lou Tavares of West Warwick kayoed Johnny Parvia of Boston in the second.

Gene Farland of Providence scored a kayo in 1:30 of the third round over Pat Davis of Boston.

At the R. I. Auditorium—Jackie Leamus, 138½, New York, won a divided decision over Patsy Brandino, 140½, Providence, in a ten-round bout.

Jimmy Rogers, 143¾, Bridgeport, Conn., won on a T.K.O. from Al (Sunshine) Deacon, 148¾, Providence. Deacon suffered a deep gash from a head butt in the fifth round forcing the referee to call a halt.

Gene Buffalo, 156½, Philadelphia, beat Eddie Sparks, 161, New Haven, in six.

Morris Kapp, 131, Providence, stopped Ray Sims, 124½, New Haven, in the first of the opening six.

A crowd of 2,090 paid a gross gate of $4,421.

My address is 307 Wickenden Street, Providence 3, R. I.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By HUGH SHANNON

A ROARING crowd of 12,000 saw Lee Oma pound out an easy victory over Phil Muscato of Buffalo in ten rounds at Memorial Auditorium on January 28. Notwithstanding the fact that Oma won by a good margin, "Fighting Phil" put up a stirring battle and never quit trying. Our scoreboard gave Oma eight rounds and Muscato only two but this does not tell all of the story. Muscato is to be highly commended for his courage and gameness. He took severe punishment from Oma's straight lefts and hard uppercuts but never faltered. All three officials handed down a verdict in favor of Oma. The Detroit heavyweight has a lackadaisical style but nevertheless is a hard puncher and very quick with a popping left that amazes his opponent.

Jack Singer's club pulled the largest fight crowd ever to see a boxing show in Buffalo's mammoth auditorium and great credit must be given to Singer, major domo of the offering. Singer is going places as a promoter and has already lined up more attractive matches for Buffalo. If Jack can get the bouts he hopes to land, local fans will see some Madison Square Garden attractions.

In other bouts on the Oma-Muscato card Mike Martyk, St. Catharines, Ont., 134½, twice floored Johnny Varcy, 137, Detroit, and won the decision in their eight-rounder. Duke Mitchell, 184, Toledo, knocked out Frank Thomas, 178, New York, first round. Bobby Dare, 168, Buffalo, registered a K.O. over Harold Thomas, 174, Detroit, in two sessions. Tony Boguski, 140, Niagara Falls, outpointed Shamus McCray, 138, Cleveland, four rounds.

Eddie Seres was the referee.

Cowboy Ruben Shank, a rough and tough fellow from the cattle country, rode roughshod over Irish Mickey Doyle of County Wexford, Ireland, in the Fairview Athletic Club's main event on the night of January 22 and Shank won by K.O. in the sixth round of their scheduled eight-round main bout. Shank is a very husky lad with a wallop and Doyle, as game as they make 'em, fought a good fight but lacked the stamina of the cowhand and lost. It was the first knockout registered against Doyle and Mickey has put up many stirring fights. If Shank is brought back to Buffalo against a topnotcher he will prove a real attraction.

The Fairview Club's prelims were good. Carmen De John, 163¾, Syracuse, stopped Billy Beauford, 172, Newark, two rounds; Junius Woods, 152, Buffalo, won a technical K.O. over Norman (Red) Rahan, 153, Garfield, N. J., in the fourth round. Alex Bogoski, 143, Niagara Falls, won from Johnny Chatmon, 140, Buffalo, six rounds. Len Wadworth, 158, Hamilton, captured the duke over Jimmy King, 152, Buffalo, six rounds. In the curtain-raiser Teddy Swain, 131, Toronto, beat Tony Boguski, 131½, Niagara Falls, four rounds.

The show drew a gross gate of $4861.

Fistic Chatter—The matchmaking of Charlie "Little Tex" Pinto is drawing praises from the fans and experts. . . . "Little Tex" is going to do all right as the season goes on. . . . The Fairview Club will soon announce a series of big matches. . . . Bert Finch will have half-a-dozen up-and-coming youngsters in his stable soon. . . . "Uncle Bert" was under the weather for a week but now is again his usual affable self. . . . Junior Singer is now in complete charge of the Jack Singer gymnasium. . . . The kid is gathering experience in the fight game.

Two tartars from Detroit, Willie Barrow and George Riley, gave the De John brothers, Carmen and Ralph, plenty of headaches in the double windup of the Fairview Athletic Club at Memorial Auditorium on February 4.

In the first place, brother Joey, youngest of the De Johns, was to have met the ferocious Riley, but a shifting around of the program brought on Carmen De John, 163½, and Riley, 161. It was a smashing fight of give and take and Carmen won the duke after a split decision. Your correspondent thought De John had an edge.

Ralph De John, 175, was beaten by Willie Barrow, 186, Detroit Negro, in a corking bout. Ralph was up against a mauler who never quit and although Barrow's margin was slight he won beyond a doubt, although this, also, was a split verdict. Referee Ed Seres and Judge Willie Di James each gave Barrow six rounds. Judge Tom Fischer found for De John six rounds to four.

A good crowd of some 5000 saw the show.

In other matches Prentiss Hall, 169, Buffalo, won a close decision over Nathan (The Deacon) Logan, 162½, St. Louis, in six rounds; Len Wadsworth, 164, Hamilton, scored a technical K.O. over Stanley (Choo Choo) Derr, 161, Allentown, Pa., in the fourth stanza. Joey De John, 157, won from Joe Ellington, 158, in the second round, when Ellington was disqualified in the second session for going down three times without being hit.

HERE AND THERE—Irving Robbins, the Syracuse hustler, draws my attention to the fact that this column failed to mention the trio of winning knockouts Joey Kushner has registered in Buffalo bouts. . . . He stopped Young DeLotte in five rounds and also Aster Rice, a tough opponent. . . . Kushner is coming along nicely and Robbins is handling him with capability. . . . Jimmie Mack, trainer of the Newark Bears and former trainer of Dick Loadman and Jimmy Duffy, is working with Bert Finch to get a top Buffalo assignment for Pat O'Gatty of Newark. . . . Finch hopes to pair O'Gatty with Ralph De John or Muscato, just out of the army. . . . Despite the fact that Charlie Pinto is new as a matchmaker, the former bantamweight boxing star is doing very well with Dewey Michaels' Fairview Club. . . . Pinto is giving Buffalo fans some well-matched bouts. . . . Billy Mitchie has resigned from the Fairview Club, but will keep a finger in the fistic pie by managing a few fighters. . . . Mitchie is up to his neck in work in other fields. . . . He has a paying construction business. . . . Chick Johnson, veteran manager and second, seldom misses a boxing show. . . . Chick could be used to advantage by a number of managers here. . . . Johnson is a very capable second. . . . Several old-time boxers appeared at the smoker given at Our Lady of Lourdes' Hall last month. . . . Rocky Kansas, who spoke a few words, said George Chaney of Baltimore was his toughest opponent, while Jimmy Duffy of Lockport recalled that Sammy Robideau of Philadelphia gave him fits in their two bouts, which were won by Duffy nevertheless. . . . Others present were Bobby McLaughlin, well-known baseball scout and playground director of the Division of Recreation, and "Fin" Whalen, famous Lockport raconteur, who was in his day a fine baseball player.

The Hartford buzz-saw, Willie Pep, N.B.A. world's featherweight champion, knocked out Johnny Virgo of Rochester in two rounds at Jack Singer's Hudson Club on January 15. It was an easy victory for Pep.

A big crowd saw the show. 5054 fans paid a gross of $9947 with a net of $7758. This all goes to prove that Buffalo is a great fight town.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By BROADWAY JOHNNY COX

FEATHERWEIGHTS are providing the big thrills for New Orleans fight fans. Promoter Louis Messina and Matchmaker Lew Raymond have many real good cards in Phil Terranova, Jock Leslie, Freddie Russo, Lou Alter, and Sal Bartolo, who have fought here under the Messina-Raymond banner.

Leslie, during 1945, fought most of his ring battles here and has become a real local idol. In his last ten-round scrap, he outpointed Lou Alter in a close and hard-fought battle, but the officials voted the contest a draw. On my tab Leslie won six of the ten rounds.

Terranova knocked out Steve Curley in three rounds in his first local start of the 1946 ring season. Curley showed great gameness but was too inexperienced for Terranova.

Augie Lapara started on a comeback climb and won a close eight-round decision over Al Delgado, Cuban featherweight. Lapara still has a chance to make the grade in the featherweight division. He is a good hitter with a right hand and in real form can beat more fighters than he will lose to.

Lapara boxes exclusively for the Heard Ragas-Emile Bruneau combination. They also staged the two George Larover-Patsy Spataro fights. Cosby Linson and Louis Rousse also box for Ragas and Bruneau with Harold Buckley doing the press work for Ragas and Bruneau.

Promoter Louis Messina has been giving the Negro fight fans fine shows between topnotchers. He showed Chalky Wright here against Johnny Bratton, Ike Williams, NBA lightweight king, against Bratton and Bob Montgomery, New York Commission recognized lightweight titleholder, against Bill Parsons, Danville, Ill.

New Orleans now ranks as one of the best drawing towns in the country for a population of 500,000 people.

Much credit must be given the Louisiana Athletic Commission for the manner in which it is handling the sport. Dr. Lloyd Landry is the chairman of the Louisiana Commission; Al Liska, well-known former football star and lawyer, is the Secretary and Bernie Greenrood the other member of the commission.

"Wild Bill" McDowell was in no shape for his eight-round bout with Howell Steen, who was declared the winner in five rounds and the Louisiana Commission indefinitely barred McDowell from Louisiana rings.

Melvin Bartholomew, New Orleans Negro lightweight, defeated Al Gomez and Jimmy Joyce in ten-rounders. Joyce holds a two-round kayo over Jackie Graves. Bartholomew now seeks bouts against Major Jones, Jackie Graves, Freddie Dawson, Johnny Bratton or other good cards for out of town work.

Candy McDaniels, classy Cincinnati, O., boxer who scales around 138 pounds, also won a one-sided ten-round decision over Jimmy Joyce. McDaniels and Bartholomew are crowd pleasers and will give the fans action. Promoters and matchmakers using them need not worry about the fans being pleased. Candy is a sweet right-hand hitter.

Al Kearney, New Orleans former Southern welterweight champion, is assembling a stable of fighters. He has Darse Robertson, Paul "Country" Ferguson and also is signing up several Negro battlers. Charley Rodriguez and Joe Russo are playing to packed houses with their swell gymnasium at 828 Gravier Street. Eddie Coulon still remains the best top referee in these parts with Ashton Donza running him a close second. Lew Raymond, famous New York matchmaker who is promoter Louis Messina's matchmaker, has found out that he can't beat the horses. He has tried all systems and failed.

Fighters unattached wanting work in this vicinity can contact the writer, Broadway Johnny Cox, at the DeSoto Hotel, New Orleans, La.

IN INDIANAPOLIS RINGS
By ANTHONY COPPI

INDIANAPOLIS is to have its first major boxing bout in several years on the eve of the famous 500-mile Decoration Day race, according to Lloyd Carter, local boxing and wrestling promoter. Carter is planning a gigantic boxing program for sports fans from all over the world who will be in attendance at the local Speedway, May 30th.

The sixth annual combination boxing-wrestling show was held at the local Armory for the benefit of the National Infantile Paralysis Fund and was also a Carter promotion in which all profits were turned over to the polio fund. Sparky Reynolds, local welterweight, pounded out a decisive win over Jim Crowe, Chicago, in eight rounds. Reynolds, back in great shape after three previous setbacks, had his Windy City opponent down twice for full counts during the melee.

Eddie Green, Indianapolis, knocked out Paul Nelson of Gary, in the first round of a scheduled six-rounder. Green, making his first pro start, landed a terrific left hook to send his adversary sprawling after a minute and five seconds of action. Green weighed 162 pounds; Nelson, 160.

An Australian tag team wrestling match rounded out the program.

The State A.A.U. boxing tournament was renewed here after an absence of four years during the war. The Labroi twins of Gary, champions in the featherweight and lightweight divisions, were outstanding along with Buster Miles, local amateur welterweight, who defeated Eugene Joyce, brother of Willie Joyce, nationally-known lightweight. New state champions are:

James Cousins, Douglas PAL Club, flyweight; Fred Shipley, Terre Haute, bantamweight; Gerald Labroi, Gary, featherweight; John Labroi, Gary, lightweight; Buster Miles, Douglas PAL Club, welterweight; George Sheppard, Gary, middleweight; Ursal Snapp, Camp Atterbury, light-heavyweight; and Lee Carter, Leeper A. C., heavyweight.

Willard Reed, state heavyweight champion, has received an army discharge and will soon resume his promising ring career. Reed, twice injured at St. Lo, met Billy Conn and Joe Louis in exhibition matches overseas.

To develop further boxing interest throughout the state of Indiana, and at several requests, we are publishing a list of promoters and their addresses in the hope of stimulating the game in Hoosierland. At present Indianapolis is the only city staging boxing shows but the following are expected to open soon:

Bruff Cleary, 111 W. Washington St., Fort Wayne, Ind.; Leon Balkin, 418 Southeast 3, Evansville; Hammond Board of Park Commissioners, 5825 Soal Ave., Hammond; Harold Miller, 505 Citizens' Bank Bldg., South Bend; Gordon Simmons, 315½ E. Washington St., Muncie, and Lloyd Smith, 4524 S. Wigger St., Marion.

Bob Simmons, local welterweight, chalked up his sixtieth ring victory recently by winning over Billy Garrett at Pittsburgh, in ten rounds. He also defeated Frankie Abrams and Bobby McIntire during the past month. Simmons piled up this impressive record against some of the nation's best welters, namely: Tip Ramsey, Pancho Vellizo, Sparky Reynolds, Bill Parsons, Al Gomez, Johnny Abbott, Johnny Roszina and Verne Patterson, to mention a few. He has two brothers also active in the fight game, Gene, a lightheavy and Sylvester, an amateur. Together, they operate a boxing stable (amateur), known as the Simmons Boxing School.

Tom Leeper, local fight mentor and trainer, is the most traveled manager in the U. S. A. today. His jaunts by air, auto and rail have extended to every major boxing center in the States as well as Canada and Mexico. In one week his fighters, all of whom he accompanied, appeared in Florida, Ohio, North Carolina, and Michigan. Leeper heads a stable, currently largest in the Midwest, which includes such well-known mitt-tossers as Colion Chaney, Tommy Charles, Sparky Reynolds, Bud Cottey, Buddy Thomas, Woody Green and Gene "Red" Parker.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By BILLY COLBERT

BLAINE YOUNG, middleweight in the Navy, is now at Shoemaker, Calif., and hopes to be discharged by March. He was one of the most promising boys in the Twin Cities a couple of years ago, and is under the management of Emmett Weller, former lightweight star.

Paul Huth, the Selby and Dale Street middleweight, is entered in the Golden Gloves. Here is a fighter from the old school, and if he can fight in the ring as good as he can in the street, he is a cinch to win a Golden Gloves championship this season. . . . Dick Olson, South St. Paul amateur featherweight, shows a lot of class for a beginner, and Jimmie Egan and Newton Scott, South St. Paul promoter, predict a great future for him. . . . Fred Spencer, a good middleweight from Arlington Hills in St. Paul, is under the direction of Emmet Weller.

Bill Williams, former Hamline University boxer, is back after two years overseas. He was the winner of the Golden Gloves in 1942. . . . Johnny Dragisch, South St. Paul, in the Seabees for two years, is back training for a try at the professional boxers in the Northwest. Johnny now is a fullfledged heavyweight. . . . Fred Dunkel, Harding High School welterweight, has been winning all his fights and will make a strong bid for a title this year in the Golden Gloves.

Russ Kelly is promoting shows in Mason City, Ia., and also had his nephew, Johnny Kelly, who has made quite a name in the West Coast as a lightweight boxer, and who has held the lightweight title of the Pacific Fleet, and also instructor on the battleship U. S. S. *California*, helping him with the Golden Gloves and professional shows.

Charley (Cabey) Lewis, veteran Havana, Cuba, featherweight, won an eight-round decision over the "Little Giant," Buffalo, N. Y., featherweight, in an eight-round bout. Lewis weighed 128, Little Giant, 130. Over 4000 fans attended.

The winning streak of the Brown brothers of St. Paul came to an end when Buzz Brown lost to Lou Flyer of St. Louis in the fifth round of a scheduled six-rounder. Johnny Sokol stopped the bout when Brown suffered a severe cut on the eye. Mel Brown, 162, dropped a six-round decision to Joe Hartfield of Omaha. Hartfield weighed 157.

Billy Smith, Minneapolis, 138, stopped Jack Black, 137, Omaha, Neb., in the fifth round of a scheduled six-round bout.

Wally Holm, 137, outpointed Red LeVasseur, Bay City, Mich., 134, in six rounds.

Glen Flanagan, Minneapolis featherweight, now stationed in Okinawa, has boxed in three Island tournaments and won seven straight fights. He was a very good amateur from the De LaSalle High School in Minneapolis.

Johnny Dudley, Northfield middleweight, now in the Navy, is boxing down in Florida. . . . Isham Hall, former manager of Dick Demaray, has a heavyweight by the name of Hobart Gates. . . . Jack Connolly, St. Louis boxing manager, has a good bunch of boys he would like to show before the Northwest fans. He can be reached at 500 North 15th Street, St. Louis, Mo.

Before 9000 fans, Jackie Graves, Austin, Minn., 130-pounder, won the decision over Cabey Lewis of Cuba, 130. The fans paid a gross of $18,000 to see a great fight and were not disappointed. The distance was eight rounds, and Lewis made a great finish, but Graves had a decided edge on points.

Wally Holm, Minneapolis, 135, won a decision over Rudy Zadell, Barberton, Ohio, 133, in six rounds. This was Holm's best fight since being discharged from the service.

Eddie Williams, St. Paul boxing promoter, starting his popular priced shows, had a good crowd to see some good bouts over the six-round distance. Floyd Hagan, just back from three years in the Navy, and weighing 138, knocked out Pug Barron, St. Paul, 143, also a returning Navy man, in the first round. Hagan packs a terrific punch, and with a a few more fights under his belt should do O.K. for himself and the St. Paul promoter.

Art Lambert, 148, Duluth, Minn., won a disputed decision over Buzz Brown, 150, in another six-rounder. These boys put up a great fight and the decision did not meet with the approval of the fans.

Lindy Elliott, 235, Chicago, chilled Billy McClure, Minneapolis heavy, in the third round. McClure weighed 195.

Gene Frederickson, St. Paul, 142, won a six-round decision over Chief Crazy Horse, St. Paul, 145, in six rounds.

Carl Paulus, South St. Paul, 138, won over Eddie Rawlings, Chicago, 132, in four rounds.

Matt Morrelli, the wonder kid from Payne Avenue, has been sick for a couple of weeks, but is now back in the gymnasium. Matt is the kid that Jack McDowell, the sports writer and referee, predicts is the best prospect he has seen for twenty years

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Bob Millsap, the Sandman from Milwaukee, who is now making St. Paul his home, is training for future bouts. Bob has been around a long time and can still make an interesting evening for any of the middleweights around the northwest.

Erle Adkinson, 175-pounder, has been winning all his fights in the Twin Cities and Duluth and Davenport. . . . Mel Epstein, former boxing promoter from Butte, Mont., and manager of professional boxer in Montana, is now the matchmaker in Seattle, Wash., for George Kosmos. Mel has been in the boxing game a long time and should do all right in his new job.

Jerry Hayes, former Minneapolis middleweight, just back from the Army, is now boxing out of St. Louis. . . . Pinkie George is the big noise in boxing in Iowa. He has a good stable of boxers and keeps them busy every week. . . . Leo Ryan, former trainer for Jackie Graves, is now training Wally Holm, Minneapolis lightweight. . . . Jimmy Donohue, the No. 1 fight fan from St. Paul, who runs one of the best taverns in the Saintly City, has become a fight manager. . . . Karl Ogren, just back from the Merchant Marine, is now vacationing in Mexico and California. . . . Marv Wason, a good heavyweight a few years back, has been honorably discharged from the Marines after serving three years in the South Pacific.

Send in your news for this column to Billy Colbert, 281 Farrington Avenue, St. Paul, Minn., or Gibbons Gym, Hamm Building, St. Paul, before the fifth of the month.

Boxers getting discharged from the service who are planning a professional career should contact Emmett Weller at the Gibbons Gym in St. Paul.

INDIANAPOLIS BOXING NEWS

MAIL CALL: To Max Rebel, Chicago: No, fifteen-round bouts are not allowed in Indiana, twelve is the limit.

To Charles Collins, Camp Atterbury: The former fighter you asked about is my brother, Bruni Coppi, former Central Illinois welter champ. He now resides in Whiting, Ind.

To Nick Boyd, Camp Bowie: You can reach Tom Leeper at 528 Oliver, Indianapolis.

All mail will be given prompt attention and answered if stamped envelope or postal card is enclosed. Send mail to this writer, 1325 E. Tabor St., Indianapolis 3, Ind.

Profile: Ninth in a series dealing with local fight personalities. This month we salute Tom Miller, local ring announcer. For our money Miller is one of the best emcees in the business today barring possibly Harry Balogh. He has been associated with boxing twenty-two years as amateur fighter, announcer and fight judge. During World War I, while stationed overseas with a light field artillery unit, he was welterweight champion of the 26th division, U. S. Army. He made countless appearances at army camps and hospitals the past four years offering his services as announcer. On visits to Camp Atterbury he introduced Joe Louis and Ray Robinson, whom he thinks are the best in the ring. Miller serves on a committee which annually sponsers the local Golden Gloves matches.

This is his tenth year announcing amateur and pro bouts. Perfect diction and a pleasing personality make him tops in his trade.

FIGHTIN' WORDS FROM TOLEDO
By ED HACKLEY

A NEW combine made its bow on January 21, as the Toledo Boxing Club came on the scene. Ossie Harris and Dave Clark were engaged in a rematch, but Clark was unable to appear because of illness. Perry Mason, local pride, accepted the match on less than 24 hours notice and made a great showing.

Mason outboxed Harris for three rounds, peppering away with a hard, accurate jab and holding his own in the infighting. He was dropped by Harris in the fourth from a hard right to the body. Mason rose at the count of nine, stalled and seemingly boxed his way out of danger, finishing the round in good shape.

There was a furious exchange at the bell, and Mason was just stepping out of a clinch as it rang. He dropped his hands and was hit by a terrific swing launched by Harris at the same instant. The Toledo battler was out cold for the entire rest period and did not open his eyes until after the ten-second buzzer. The enraged Mason sprang from his corner at the start of the round and swapped punches with Harris for a full two minutes and caught another left hook to the head that stopped him.

Larry Moreland, local lightweight, gave a very creditable performance in beating Stan Cieslik of Detroit in the top six-round go.

Bobby McQuillan, Port Huron, lightweight, made short work of Jimmy Varcy in another six. Varcy was badly outclassed. He went down from the first punch and was floored again almost immediately thereafter for the count. Eddie Hines of Pittsburgh outsmarted and outpunched Tony Cadarian of Windsor in the best bout of the prelims, a six-rounder.

In the fours, Frankie Girard, a just-returned Marine, stopped the Chocolate Kid in the fourth.

Ace Miller stole the show in Detroit's Olympia. Fighting the bottom half of a double-feature bill, he made a show of Bill Eddy, Flint southpaw, and took the play entirely away from Bell and Zivic in the top part of the wind-up.

Joey Kushner, Syracuse belter, who has beaten Eddie Smith and other good boys, stopped Jimmy McClellan in the first in Buffalo.

Duke Mitchell, Toledo heavy, is going good in Buffalo, having won three straight, two by kayoes.

Herby Simmons is running shows for the Fraternal Order of Police in Lima. Columbus White, Bob Shaw and Wilbur Owens are the local boys who are showing well for Herb.

Eddie Mack is running weekly amateur shows for local fighters at his gym in the Summit-Cherry market. The kids are steadily improving under Eddie's watchful eye.

Local 12, UAW-CIO, is staging amateur boxing shows every Tuesday at the Auditorium. Two local boys have done very well. Jerry Memminger of Fremont, a middleweight, won two of his three fights by the kayo route and Billy Temple, a rough, tough youngster, shows a great deal of promise.

Any news of interest in this district should be sent to the writer at 71 Brand Whitlock, Toledo, Ohio. Also any information about local fights and fighters can be gotten by contacting this address.

Any managers wishing to show their wares in this area can also send dope on their fighters to me, and if our club, the American, does not run it will be turned over in any case to whoever is promoting here. Any unattached fighters who are looking for a new field should contact me, as fighting is going well here and there are not a dozen bona fide professional boxers in the city.

NEWS FROM WINNIPEG AND VICINITY
By AL GREENBERG

IT'S about high time the Canadian Professional Boxing Federation came out of hiding and held a confab. At the time of this writing, the board had yet to hold a conference since the early days of the war, when they froze all titles for the duration. The board, headed by Frank Hagen, has done little to further the unification of professional boxing in Canada, on a Dominion-wide basis.

The Winnipeg Police Athletic Club plans to hold amateur boxing shows in the near future. Boxing classes are now held down at the Police gym under the supervision of Gord Thompson. Joe Anderson, Athletic club secretary, expects a few star performers to emerge from these classes.

Joe Martin, personable Vancouver manager, informs this corner that boxing is expected to boom down Vancouver way within the next month. Martin is managing Hank Egli and Jackie Turner.

Ernie Farr, former Winnipeg promoter, is now staging shows in Calgary, Alberta. Ernie has Kenny Lindsay, Canadian bantamweight champ, as well as undefeated featherweight Buddy Loftus, to headline his cards.

Frank Tunney gave Toronto its first taste of professional boxing in over a year. Little Arthur King, 130 pounds, fresh out of the simon pure ranks, knocked out Jean Barriere in the third round at the Maple Leaf Gardens before 5,000 fans who contributed to a gate of $7,000.

CLEVELAND BOXING NEWS
By PHIL GOLDSTEIN

PROMOTERS BOB BRICKMAN and Larry Atkins gave the fans an exceptionally good show at the Arena on January 14. Every one of the five bouts pleased the crowd immensely.

In the feature, Artie Levine, New York middleweight, kayoed Billie Walker, Portland, Oregon, in the ninth round of their scheduled 10-rounder. Billie took an early lead, but persistent and clever Artie overcame this and dealt out a terrific licking to the westerner. This bout carried more action than any other held in Cleveland since the Cannonball Eddy Martin-Carl Tremaine battle in 1925.

Although Leo Garrett had the advantage in height, reach and weight, Leroy Jackson decisively outpointed him. Referee Jackie Davis gave Jackson seven of the eight rounds, but the judges voted for Garrett. The decision giving Barrett the bout was received with derision by the fans. It was weird, to say the least, and the fans were stunned. The bout was close for the first three rounds. Then it was all Jackson's.

Jackson was at his best in the fifth and sixth rounds almost kayoing Garrett. Davey Feld, New York light-heavy, looked great kayoing Al King, local favorite, in the second round.

Howie Brodt, New York welter, was too good for Pete McNamara and kayoed him in the second.

In the opener Chuck Lloyd, Cleveland lightweight, won a close decision over Ray Miller, Elmwood City, Pa. Lloyd lost the third round because of a low blow.

At Buffalo, New York, Dave Mason, Cleveland heavyweight, kayoed Gus Schlee in the first.

JABS FROM ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY

By BUS BURKE

THE boxing card presented by Hans Bernstein in the great Keil Auditorium in St. Louis on January 11 was one of the most pleasing shows that the fans have been treated to so far this season. There were five bouts with two knockouts, one coming in the curtain raiser and the other happening in the top spot. It was all Riley in the top spot and he put an ending to the night's entertainment when he dropped that lethal right hand on the chin of Irish Billy Miller from Pittsburgh, to win with a knockout in the third round. This makes 45 wins for Riley out of a total of 46 starts and 36 of those via the K.O. route.

In the semi-windup, Deacon Logan pounded the highly-touted Curley Denton from Cincinnati, but just could not put him away. He won his way during the eight rounds. The show grossed a gate of $6,131.10 and brought out the largest fight crowd of the season, numbering 3,317 fans.

Full results of the card: Charley Riley, St. Louis, 128½, knocked out Billy Miller, Pittsburgh, 130, in the third round. Bout was scheduled for ten heats. Deacon Logan, St. Louis, 165½, defeated Curley Denton, Cincinnati, 162, in eight rounds. Art Cooper, St. Louis, 132½, defeated Bud Cottey, Indianapolis, 136, in six rounds by the decision route. Arnold Deer, Muncie, Ind., 165, decisioned John Gulley, St. Louis, 164½, in six rounds. Fred Latson, St. Louis, 129, knocked out Terry Thompson, St. Louis, 128, in the second round.

On the same night, January 11, Poplar Bluff, Mo., staged its first fight card in several years. It was a selected team of simon pures from St. Louis against a team of first string amateurs from Camp Robinson near Little Rock, Ark. St. Louis emerged the victor winning three bouts and losing two.

On January 15th, three St. Louis boxers journeyed to Kansas City, Kan., and only one came home victorious—Freddie Latson, a St. Louis featherweight who knocked out Howard Jackson of Kansas City in the first stanza of their bout. Levi Southall, 148, Kansas City, stopped Patty Brandon, 141, of St. Louis, in the first heat of their bout. Billy Reed, 130½, of Indianapolis, Ind., defeated Terry Thompson, 126½, of St. Louis in eight rounds.

Lou Wallach opened his Finney Avenue "Show Place of Sock." Wallach's initial venture was presented to a capacity crowd on January 21. In the feature Lou Flyer outpointed Dave Riley with Henry Armstrong the referee.

The results: Main Event—Lou Flyer, 146½, of Los Angeles, outpointed Dave Riley, 142½, of St. Louis in eight rounds. Levi Southall, 146, Kansas City, knocked out Harold Boyd, 150, St. Louis, with a left hook to chin in 2:39 of the 1st round. Art Cooper, 133, St. Louis, stopped Jimmy Motley, 135, of Huntington, W. Va., in the fourth stanza. Jimmy Fields, 190, St. Louis, knocked out Jimmy Dodd, 210, Chicago, with a left hook to chin in 2:10 of the fourth. Billy Reed, 135, Indianapolis, stopped Iggy Paige, 131, of St. Louis, in 2:19 of the fourth round. Henry Chuchollek, 160, St. Louis, knocked out Johnny Tabbs, 153, St. Louis, with a left to the mid-section in 1:51 of the first round.

William H. Herring, new St. Louis member of the Missouri State Athletic Commission, was sworn into office. The new Commissioner, who was appointed by Governor Donnelly, announced that Mr. Charley Pian would continue as Chief Deputy. Mr. Pian has served as trouble shooter for five Missouri commissioners starting during the regime of Ernest Oakley.

Right Crosses—What with Hans Bernstein's big name attractions at Keil Auditorium and Lou Wallach's weekly attractions at the Palace Gardens, it seems as if St. Louis is fast on its way to regaining its boxing prestige. . . . The various Community Centers and Boy's Clubs scattered around the city are resounding to the thud of the padded mittens and the chattering of the speed bags as the hundreds of potential Golden Gloves champs are readying themselves for the tournament of champions. . . . Boxing shows promoted in Missouri during the year 1945 grossed a total of $83,414. . . . It is indeed a pleasure to see the familiar old RING Magazine making an appearance on the newsstands again, it has been a long time, no see.

Managers with fighters, and fighters wishing to show here in St. Louis, can contact Hans Bernstein at the Maryland Hotel, 9th and Pine St., St. Louis, Mo., and Lou Wallach can be reached at 3626 Enright Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Lou Flyer, the latest St. Louis crowd pleaser, made it two wins in a row at the Palace Gardens when he blasted out Jimmy Stewart of Philadelphia in the first round with a left to the mid-section.

The results of the January 28th Palace Gardens card follow: Main event—Lou Flyer, St. Louis, 149, knocked out Jimmy Stewart, Philadelphia, 142, in the first round of a scheduled eight-rounder. Art Cooper, St. Louis, 130, K.O.'ed George Harrison, 138, Huntington, West Virginia, in the second round of a scheduled sixer. John Gulley, St. Louis, 171, K.O.'ed Rutherford Wallace, St. Louis, 170, in the third of a scheduled sixer. Henry Chuchollek, St. Louis, 160, defeated Tom Brown, Quincy, Ill., 165, by the decision route in four heats. Iggy Paige, St. Louis, 134, outpointed Charlie Stacker, East St. Louis, Ill., 129, in four.

Lee Stewart, whose home is in East St. Louis, Illinois, and who is a member of the Marianas Boxing Team, won the Central Pacific Navy heavyweight championship with a first round technical knockout over Don Huebler, whose home is in Ann Arbor, Mich. The bouts were held at Honolulu and were witnessed by 10,000 enthusiastic fans. Stewart will compete in the Navy final at a date still to be announced.

Send news of interest to readers of this column to Bus Burke, 601 St. Louis Street, DeSoto, Missouri. Would also appreciate receiving autographed pictures of fighters to add to my collection.

TAMPA AND VICINITY

By YELASQUES

LT. COM. GEORGE W. MITCHELL, who took Gypsy Daniels' fighting name and wrestled as "Chief Chewacki" by the mat fans, is now out of the Navy and making his home in Tampa. Mitchell went into the service as an apprentice seaman and came out as a lieutenant commander. Mitchell, although now 40 years of age, plans to continue his mat career in and around Tampa. He is a full-blooded Indian and served his time in the Navy as a physical instructor. He served on the *Lexington, Tennessee* and the *Tuscaloosa*.

Baby Zammaripa, Mexican featherweight, scored a big upset in stopping Pee Wee Flores in nine rounds at Tampa. Zammaripa outweighed Flores by 10 pounds and dropped him five times in the last five rounds. Buddy Rose, Sarasota middleweight, knocked out Joe Torres, New York, in the eighth round. Rose was dropped twice. This was their third meeting with each having won by a K.O., and Rose winning the other by a decision.

Baby Chino, West Tampa, knocked out Bobby Rodriguez, Tampa, in two rounds, and Young Alvarez, West Tampa, knocked out Bobby O'Dea, West Palm Beach, in the first round.

At Tampa—Manny Gomez, West Tampa, and Red Bryant, Plant City, met for the third time, and again Gomez came out the winner, this time by a K.O., to make it three in a row over Bryant. Bryant received one of the worst lickings of his career. The end came in the fifth when Bryant was unable to continue.

Bulldog Camagueyano, 136, Cuba, gave Bob Root, 135, Miami, a severe lacing before stopping him in seven rounds. Root was dropped five times.

Baby Lincoln outpointed Charlie Stokes in four rounds. Blondy Baggett knocked out Johnny Genaro in two rounds, and Pat Lucas won over Billy Roberts in a four rounder.

Johnny Thomas, Florida, 183, won over Billy Grant, N. J., 173½, in ten rounds at Orange, N. J. This was their third meeting, and gives Thomas two wins in a row. Joey Puig, 120, West Tampa, was knocked out in two rounds by Tony Olivera, 122, San Francisco, at San Francisco. Buddy Rose, 158, Sarasota, lost a 10-rounder to Baxley Hardey, 160, Augusta, at Augusta, Ga.

Maurice "Lefty" LaChance, 132, Lisbon, Me., and Norman "Hi Ho" Silver, 132, Brooklyn, N. Y., went ten rounds to a draw at Miami.

Three weeks later Maurice "Lefty" LaChance, 134, outpointed Norman "Hi Ho" Silver, 132, in a ten-round return bout.

Chino Alvarez was badly beaten in a street brawl in West Tampa and suffered severe scalp wounds and facial bruises. He was attacked by four Tampans wielding baseball bats.

Young "Jess" Willard, veteran Orlando welterweight, scored a four-round T.K.O. over Young Janiro of Tampa at Orlando. Janiro was dropped five times and was unable to continue after the fifth knockdown. Abe Barnhill, 102, and Kid Birnstein, 107, went six rounds to a draw.

Ray Delgado, Cuban featherweight, evened the score with Pee Wee Flores by scoring an undeserved seven-round T.K.O. over Flores at Tampa. Delgado won the first two rounds with ease, but the next four rounds saw Flores take a big lead only to lose the bout at the start of the seventh round. An injured left elbow forced Flores to retire. In their first meeting Flores had scored a two-round knockout.

Baby Chino, Tampa, took a bad beating from Young Alvarez, Ybor City, in the early rounds, but finally hit his stride to go on and win by a knockout in the seventh round. Alvarez was dropped once before going out for good by a terrific left smash to the head.

Vic Feeney outslugged Larry Lynn in a fast six-rounder, while Henry Waters won a close decision over Bob Rodriguez in four. In another four, Jimmie O'Brien won from Roy Green.

King Levinsky, Chicago, a mere shadow of his former self and slower than a funeral march, was no match for Chief Chewacki in a mixed boxer vs. wrestler bout billed for ten rounds at Tampa.

At Tampa—"Big Ben" Moroz, 296, Philadelphia, proved easy pickings for Tommy Gomez, 186, Tampa, in a slow, uninteresting bout that ended with Eddie Walker throwing in the towel in the sixth round. Moroz failed to win a round and was dropped for a seven-count in the third. Moroz was game, but very slow and stood up well under the terrific punishment Gomez dished out.

The fight drew one of the largest crowds in years and many fans were turned away.

Ralph Hughes, Tampa, knocked out Rio Martinez, Tampa, in four rounds. middleweights. Pete Noriega, Tampa, and Larry Lynn, went six rounds to a draw, middleweights. Roy Evans, Tampa, knocked out Louis Cobarruviaz, Mexico, light-heavies.

Johnny Dupree, Tampa, won from Charlie Samara, Tampa, in six rounds, middleweights. Bulldog Griffin, Tampa, knocked out Thunderbolt Carl in five rounds. They are heavyweights.

Marcel Fournier, Montreal, lost to Vic Jade, Cleveland, in eight rounds and Joey Balta, Texas Mexican, knocked out Billy Roberts at West Palm Beach. Bulldog Griffin, Tampa, 176, lost to Floyd Duncan, 180, in ten rounds at the Dorsey Park Arena in Miami.

Jerry McSwain, a Miami heavyweight, just out of the Navy, has won his first four pro starts. Bill Regan, boxing coach at Miami U., shows plenty of class and ability as a referee around Miami. Louie Stokan, manager of Fritzie Zivic, may bring in Zivic to meet the winner of the Padalino-Legon bout if either can come in at 147 pounds. Illness has forced Carl Guggino to enter the Veterans' Hospital at Bay Pines.

Johnny Thomas of Miami always manages to put up a good fight, win, lose or draw. Thomas is now matched to meet Joey Maxim, a leading contender, in New York. Thomas is now managed by Jack Curley of Stillman's Gym.

Jack Larrimore has left Miami for Cincinnati, where he is scheduled to meet George Costner.

Send all news, results and clippings to M. Velasquez, 8 N. E. 10th Street, Miami. Boxers and managers wishing Florida contacts should get in touch with Tom Ephrem at Jacksonville. Would appreciate some old-time clippings of the Young Manuel fights.

WRESTLING NEWS FROM HAWAII

By TED YAMACHIKA

BOBBY NELSON, the latest grappling sensation of Honolulu, is known as the "Clipper" boy because he is the first wrestler to be imported here via plane. Bobby is a handsome boy, who hails from Lincoln, Nebraska. A veteran of the ring, he started professional wrestling about eleven years ago after spending a year at the University of Wisconsin and doing a four year hitch playing pro football with the La Cross Lagers. He has also served two years in the Navy during the war.

Since coming here, he has appeared in three bouts, winning all. Two of his victims were Bucky O'Neill and Harry Dellis, the roughest pair in the Islands today, and his victories over them has established Bobby's reputation as a rough-houser of the first order. Already he has a big following and some of his backers are asking Promoter Al Karasick to give him a chance at the Hawaiian title. But according to the promoter Bobby must first get over such wrestlers as Charley Carr, Kaimon Kudo, Vilai S'ua and Ben Pilar if he expects to take on Jimmy Gonsalves for the title.

Local sportswriters and the promoter have picked Jimmy Gonsalves, youthful Hawaiian wrestling champ, as the wrestler of the year. The popular titleholder, who now is in possession of THE RING belt, emblematic of the Hawaiian championship, has been in the game less than three years. In that short time he has developed from a rank unknown to one of the most polished grapplers in the Islands today. When and if transportation becomes available, Jimmy will no doubt tour the mainland and take on all comers.

That wrestling in Hawaii has returned to pre-war basis is indicated by the arrival of the Scarlet Pimpernal, a masked wrestler, who is expected to make things hot for the other grapplers here.

Another wrestler who has returned to Honolulu is Count von Buesing. The Count was a popular figure here before the war and he is expected to carry on from where he left off.

Other wrestlers who are in the local limelight are Chester Hayes, Charley Carr, Kaimon Kudo, Leo McAllister, Whitey Glover, Francis Rawlins, Harry Dellis, Vilai S'ua, Wimpey Wilington and Bucky O'Neill.

Mele Kalikimaka and Hauoli Makahiki Hou! That's Hawaiian for Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

MANAGERS—

Don't miss this opportunity to advertise your fighters. $4.00 per issue and six issues for $15.00, payable in advance. Limit 1¼ inches. Beyond that there is an extra charge.

Fighter of Month

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Frank Foley knocked out Al Vallon, 2. Roland Gomez outpointed Billy Barbour, 6. George McCarthy drew with Al Tanquay, 4. Jimmie Cook outpointed Babe Querion, 6. Billy Mims outpointed Mike deStefano, 6. Kid Bell and Jake Mosely, no contest. Joe Lucignano outpointed Guillermo Rizco, 4. Johnny Parker knocked out Joe Gillis, 3.

Roger Burke outpointed Buster Beaupre, 10. Johnny Caruso outpointed Charley Howard, 8. Levi Southall outpointed Annunzio Ferrara, 8. Julie Cross outpointed Nick Melli, 4. Willie Regin outpointed Frankie Kovacs, 4. Vince Gambill knocked out L'il Abner, 1. Charlie Gillen outpointed William "Flattop" Cummings, 6. Mickey Santarsiero knocked out Danny Ruggero, 4. Jimmy Stevens knocked out Murray Down, 2. Al Silverman knocked out Johnny Sawyer, 3. Pat Monahan knocked out Sal Lupo, 4. Billy Zaduck knocked out Eddie Moran, 2. Roland Gomes kayoed Tommy Baker, 1. Gabbie Poulin knocked out Jimmy Hughes, 4. George Graytack beat Ray Laurie, 6.

George Sands drew with George Elliott, 12. Laurie Petersen outpointed Vic Colteaux, 12. Billy Shaw drew with Eddie Duffy, 8. Tommy Burns knocked out Al Moran, 4. Jack Kane knocked out Charlie Neasby, 4. Harry Lobb knocked out Mickey Craven, 2. Don Lemos drew with Art Brown, 5. Young Salvatore outpointed Al Robinson, 6. Eddie Kane outpointed Joey Murphy, 6.

Lightweight bouts follow:

Bob Montgomery outpointed Bill Parsons, 10. Allie Stolz beat Victor Flores, 8. Fidel Rivera outpointed George Larover, 10. Wesley Mouzon won from Joe Anuco, 10.

Ike Williams outpointed Johnny Bratton, 10; drew with Freddie Dawson, 10. Dawson kayoed Sammy Daniels, 6; and beat Charley Smith, 10. Chalky Wright beat Pedro Firpo, 10.

Julie Kogon knocked out Pat Scanlon, 3; outpointed Johnny Forte, 10. Kogon lost to Ernie Petrone, 10. Omar leNoir and Kid Marcel, no contest, 10. Cleo Shans knocked out Pat Foley, 4. Shans lost to Neva Esparza, 10. Shans lost to Eddie Giosa, 8. Shans outpointed Willie Cheatum, eight.

Robert (Buddy) Garcia knocked out Nick Camarata, 8. Joey Peralta and Harry Hurst drew, ten.

Norm Gent outpointed Lance Geyer, 12. John Thomas outpointed Larry Cisneros, 10. Tommy Jones outpointed P/o Scott, 8.

Jack Bridges outpointed Jack Stewart, 10. Billy Stevens outpointed Billy Hannell, 12. Dom Amoroso outpointed Georgie Cooper, 10. Lew Jenkins knocked out Jerry Zullo, 2; knocked out Jack Garrity, 1; knocked out Johnny Cool, 2.

Julie Bort outpointed Lou Prince, 8. Abel Lucero knocked out Sal Sanchez, 7.

Al Gomez knocked out Candy McDaniels, 5. Santa Bucca lost to Neva Esparza, 10; knocked out Hubert Samuels, 6. Melvin Bartholomew outpointed Stanley Jordan, 10. Bartholomew outpointed Al Gomez, 10. Bartholomew outpointed Jimmy Joyce, 10. Gene Burton outpointed Willie Russell, 10.

Clarrie Gordon drew with Joe Hall, 12. Gordon outpointed Joe Grant, 12. Ernie Juno outpointed Ray Kay, 12. Billy Fletcher outpointed Ted Heiner, 12. Jack Bridges outpointed Mick Dooley, 10. Charlie Ashenden knocked out Billy Stevens, 7.

Alby McCarthy outpointed Billy Alexander, 12. Leo Heaney outpointed Les Fuller, 12. Bill Foley drew with Danny O'Dea, 10. Jackie Green knocked out Luke Brown. Gordon knocked out Fred Corten, 7. Joe Grant drew with Mickey Tollis, 12.

Freddie Taylor outpointed Torito Ramos, 10. Floriant Desmarais outpointed Joe Celetti, 10. Celetti lost to Ernie Guisti, 10. Desmarais knocked out Joe Gillis, 7.

Willie Marcus lost to Al Smith, 10; knocked out by Spider Armstrong, 9; lost to Eden Germaine, 8. Verne Bybee knocked out Jimmy Florita, 2. Ace Miller outpointed Bill Eddy, 10; outpointed Emmett Grier, 10.

Jimmy Corti outpointed Tommy Monty, 8. Corti outpointed Lou Prince, 8. Leo Methot drew with Kid Lebrun, 8. Methot outpointed Johnny Campbell, 8. Methot outpointed Blond Tiger, 8.

Dave Andrews outpointed Joe Polowitzer, 8; knocked out Pat Doyle, 6. Dan Robinson outpointed Al Jordan, 8; outpointed Bobby McIntire, 8.

Enrique Rodea outpointed Johnny Bo Harris, 8. Rodea outpointed Jose Guterrez, 6. Fidel Rivera outpointed George Larover, 10; drew with Patsy Spataro, 10. Tony Pellone outpointed Maxie Shapiro, 10.

Jackie Leamus outpointed Patsy Brandino, 10. Dave Castilloux outpointed Doll Rafferty, 10. Jimmy Pierce outpointed Johnny Ricco, 10. Dorsey Lay outpointed Juste Fontaine, 10. Knocked out Maxie Starr, 6.

Billy Barton lost to Billy Ross, 8. Barton outpointed Neil McCearn, 10. Bobby Biddles outpointed Bob Ramsay, 8. Bobby Nichols outpointed Norman James, 6. Ken Whitely outpointed Norman James, 6. Jack Parnell outpointed Jack Humphreys, 6. Parnell lost foul to Lewis Hughes, 4. Billy Thompson outpointed Ben Duffy, 8. Harry Hughes outpointed Billy Taylor, 8. Johnny Ingle won foul from Anton Raadik, 3.

Arturo Barron knocked out Nick Peters, 8. Enrique Bolanos knocked out Art Fatta, 1.

Champion Kid Gavilan outpointed Kid Bururu, 10. Diego Sosa knocked out Eduardo Duany, 2. Diego Sosa lost to Santiago Sosa, 10. Kid Simmons drew with Duncan Blair, 4. Fighting Bailey outpointed Al Browne, 10. Leon Spencer knocked out Chino Carvajal, 4.

Ernesto Lopez drew with Morris Gorman, 4. Terry Moore outpointed Tony Argo, 4. Gene Spencer knocked out Red Grant, 4; knocked out Oliver Benton Cobbins, 1. Cobbins outpointed Will Weavers, 4. Spencer outpointed Al Gomez, 8.

Vernon Laro knocked out Mickey Page, 5; knocked out by Don Goulette, 1. Winslow Woodward knocked out Jasper O'Hanley, 3. O'Hanley knocked out Terry Kip, 2. Woodward knocked out Al Baltieri, 1. O'Hanley outpointed Al Mazerole, 4. O'Hanley knocked out Bobby Williams, 4. Woodward knocked out by Walter Stevens, 4.

Al Victoria knocked out Eddie Dowl, 5; outpointed Don Lemos, 6. Victoria lost to Doug Ratford, 6. Arthur Price knocked out Eddie Owens, 5; knocked out Baby Armstrong, 3. Price lost to Bobby McQuillan, 10. McQuillan knocked out Johnny Varcy, 1. Chuck Lloyd outpointed Ray Miller, 5.

Angelo Rogers outpointed Billy Carlisle, 4. Carlisle knocked out Fred Killingham, 2. Carlisle lost to Angelo Rogers, 4. Billy Lee knocked out Killingham, 3. Milton Glass outpointed Oscar Williams, 6; knocked out Bobby Thomas, 8.

Joe Miller knocked out Ray Miller, 2. Pat Donovan outpointed Harry Regan, 4. Cliff Jones outpointed Frank Alwood, 6. Luck Lima outpointed Tommy Daniels, 6; outpointed Oscar St. Pierre, ten.

Bill Richardson drew with Bobby Lee, 6. Freddy Hullums knocked out Joe Palaza, 4. Louis Tavares outpointed Bob Fuller, 6; knocked out Johnny Parvia, 2; outpointed Chick Jones, 6. Jones knocked out Pete Noka, 3. Fuller outpointed Felix Le Blanc, 4.

Dick Cook outpointed Velmond White, 6. Rollie Renaud drew with Joe Schultz, 4. Eddie Richardson knocked out Tony Mande, 1.

Billy (29) Banks knocked out Peaches Jackson, 4. Al Mobley drew with George Radford, 6; outpointed Doug Ratford, 6; outpointed Johnny Dell, 6. Ratford outpointed George Smith, 6. Johnny Parvia knocked out by Art Morris, 2. Parvia knocked out by Pete Noka, 2. Noka outpointed Al Hallie, 4.

Johnny Cesario outpointed Jimmy Hampton, 6. Cesario lost to Gus (Pell) Mell, 8. Archie Stock knocked out Lou Suliveres, 1. Suliveres knocked out by George Baltieri, 2. Baltieri outpointed Oscar Lewis, 4. Stock outpointed Oscar Williams, 6. Suliveres knocked out Tommy Monty, 1. Williams knocked out Sal Arredon, 1. Danny Randi knocked out Jackie Savino, 2.

Johnny Forte knocked out Ted Christie, 2. George Martin outpointed Freddie Hermann, 6; knocked out Sal Arredon, 2. Al Mazerole outpointed Joe Patino, 4; knocked out Terry Kish, 1; knocked out Elvin Coleman, 4; knocked out Johnny Land, 2. Johnny Vann knocked out Frankie Van, 2; knocked out Ray Parker, 1.

Joe Polowitzer knocked out Sal Arredon, 6. Arredon lost to Enrique Rodea, 6. Polowitzer outpointed Johnny Priest, 8. Johnny Priest knocked out Joe Gillis, 3.

Billy Smith knocked out Art Stemper, 2; outpointed Tommy Sheldon, 4; outpointed Chick Jones, 4. Sheldon lost to Colby Benson, 4. Sheldon knocked out Bill Hudson, 1. Benson knocked out Bud Taylor, 1.

Willie Keene knocked out Frankie Lee, 3. Keene lost to Joe Palaza, 4. Keene knocked out Joe Gordon, 2. Lenny Ceasar outpointed Joe Brown, 5. Brown outpointed Johnny Monroe, 6. Ceasar knocked out Warren DeJean, 3.

Young Stenner outpointed Harry Regan, 4. Johnny Gall knocked out Harold (Red) Arrington, 4. Charlie Spina knocked out Howard Gordon, 3; knocked out Bobby Thomas, 1; knocked out Bobby Thomas, 1. Ozro Blair outpointed Jimmy Sciarra, four.

Wally Holm outpointed Rudy Zidell, 6. Zidell lost to Dick Czerniak, 6. Joey Carkido outpointed Nat Hutchins, 6; knocked out Winslow Woodward, 1; outpointed Jasper O'Hanley, 6; outpointed Jasper O'Hanley, 8. Jimmy Rogers outpointed Jimmy Synott, 6; knocked out Al Deacon, 5. Marino Luna knocked out Johnny Chavez, 3. Chavez outpointed Jim Bard, 4.

Sammy Zira knocked out Eddie Moran, 4. Moran knocked out Chick Jones, 2. Booker Hodges knocked out Billy Vardon, 1; knocked out Tony Perrara, 2. Ray Hall outpointed Ted Ryan, 4. Ryan knocked out Johnny Vachon, 2. Billy Cornwall knocked out Jackie Evans, 3.

Jackie O'Corn outpointed Freddie Tibbs, 4; knocked out Raymond Glenn, 1. Eddie Murphy outpointed Tommy Mills, 6. Murphy lost to Juan Carrero, 8. Mills outpointed Eddie Smith, 8. Smith knocked out Harvey Dubs, 8. Alex Boguski outpointed Joe Miller, 6. Miller knocked out by Arbie Bowie, 5. Boguski outpointed John Chapman, 6. Miller knocked out Tommy Daniels, 2. Chapman outpointed Joe Ross, 8.

Jimmy Esposito outpointed Ellsworth Simley, 6. Simley knocked out by Joey Varoff, 3. Simley knocked out Johnny Ruth, 2. Esposito outpointed Zach Taylor, 6. Felix LeBlanc knocked out Tony Andrews, 2. LeBlanc knocked out by John Bell, 1. Cab Calloway knocked out Chuck McLaughlin, 2; knocked out Regis Simms, 1. Calloway outpointed Bolton Ford, 4. Matt Parker knocked out Pat Leonard, 1.

LeRoy Willis outpointed Boykin Bourgeois, 4. John Bell drew with Carey Mace, 5. Bell knocked out by Joe Rogers, 1. Bell drew with Carey Mace, 5. Lewis Duane outpointed Willie Tatum, 4.

Ray Lewis outpointed Nathaniel Huskey, 6. George Christian knocked out Eddie Marberry, 2. Christian lost to George Nuebeck, 4. Herb Morris outpointed Bobby Williams, 6. Williams knocked out by Sammy Montana, 2.

Tony Antognoli knocked out Mike Gravino, 3; knocked out Guillermo Rizco, 4. John Littlejohn knocked out Jimmy Brewer, 3. Charlie Gilley knocked out Jimmy Spence, 2. Gillie lost to Bill Richardson, 6. Joey Kushner knocked out Jimmy McClellan, 1.

Jimmy Joyce knocked out Jerry Martin, 1. Joyce lost to Candy McDaniels, 10. Pete Mirabello outpointed Guillermo Rizco, 6. Rizco knocked out Johnny Fees, 2. Steve Kronis knocked out Santiago Rivera, 6.

Bob Martin knocked out Paul Wilson, 1. Charlie Celeste knocked out Ray Allison, 3. John Varcy knocked out Bob Smith, 3. Varcy lost to Mike Martyk, 8.

Stanley Cieslik knocked out Al Dickson, 2. Cieslik lost to Larry Moreland, 6. Paul Watson outpointed Maurice Nelson, 4; knocked out Dick Manning, 1. Frank McDougall outpointed Wal Tournier. Harry Thompson outpointed Mickey Walker, 6. Vin Geddes outpointed Pat Donovan, 6. Jack Willis outpointed Jack Rogers, 4.

Eddie Bertolino outpointed Baby Castillo, 6. Mickey Grasso knocked out Georgie Manser, 4.

Jesse Watson knocked out by Jackie Carr, 3. Roy Lewis outpointed Al Jackson, 5. Anthony Arnone drew with Pete Fernandez, 6. Arnone outpointed Jackie Allen, 8.

Johnny Fry outpointed Pedro Flores, 6. Flash Gordon knocked out Jimmy Ladd, 2. Tony Boguski outpointed Carl Olsen, 4; lost to Teddy Swain, 4. Boguski outpointed Shamus McCray, 4.

Chet Martin knocked out Mickey Wilson, 1. Billy Mitchell drew with Armando Fontez, 1. Mitchell knocked out by Louis Renteria, 4. Fontez knocked out Charles Salas, 3.

Oscar Lewis outpointed Jose Guterrez, 6. Lewis outpointed Jose Guterrez, 6. Buck Streator knocked out Glenn Nelson, 3. Walter Gomes knocked out Eddie Hudson, 3. Bob Hill knocked out Leo Labbre, 3. Charley Schnappauf knocked out Juan Laufalle, 4.

Eddie Hudson lost to John Bartelino, 4. Al Velez knocked out Frankie Porchia, 4; knocked out Douglas Gibson, 1. Willard Coffey outpointed John Varcy, 6.

Johnny Villanueva outpointed Jose Andreas, 6. Joey Balta outpointed Henry Hosch, 4. Balto outpointed Hosch, 6. Jimmie O'Brien outpointed Roy Green, 4. Pete Noriega drew with Larry Lane, 6. Henry Waters outpointed Bob Rodriquez, 4. Baby Chino knocked out Bobby Rodriquez, 2. Chino knocked out Young Alvarez, 7. Babe Huerta outpointed Roberto Agala, 4.

Billy Smith outpointed Ben Parks, 4. Pat Lucas outpointed Billy Roberts, 4. Blondy Baggett knocked out Johnny Genero, 2. Bulldog Camagueyano knocked out Bobby Root, 7. Baby Armstrong outpointed Oscar Wright, 6.

Billy Heath knocked out Del Cockayne, 1. Bobby Waters knocked out Bernie Cady, 3. Fred Ballesandro knocked out Sammy Chietera, 4. Dudley DeJean drew with Gordon House, 4. Walter Gomes knocked out Billy Wilson, 5.

Larry Thomas knocked out Eddie West, 2. Ray McNally knocked out Tony Foto, 2. Julio Cesar Jiminez outpointed Baby Al Brown, 6. Henry (Kid) Briere knocked out Chick Jones, 2.

Patsy Spataro outpointed Fidel Rivera, 10. Arthur Price outpointed Maurice "Lefty" LaChance, 10. Rocco Progano knocked out Harry Bauman, 8. Don Goulette outpointed Chuck Ackworth, 8. Anthony Arnone drew with Pete Fernandez, 8. Pat Smith knocked out Billy Callahan, 3. Al Bean knocked out Bob Hill, 3. Jimmy Rogers knocked out Pat Doyle, 7. Flash Boucher outpointed Ted Ryan, 4. Jimmy Gagnon drew with Norman Bennett, 6. Buddy Freeman knocked out Felix Randolph, 5. Eddie Sizemore knocked out Deco Tally, 2.

Joey Bagnato outpointed Joe Celetti, 10. Tommy Greb knocked out Bobby English, 9. Dom Amoroso outpointed Victor Moreno, 10. Bobby Thomas knocked out Walter Peddie, 2. Charlie Spina knocked out Jimmy Stanford, 3. Carey Mace knocked out Henry McArthur, 4. Ralph Costello outpointed Tony Pignatore, 4. Rene Demers outpointed Joe Palaza, 6. Colby Benson beat Willie Keene, 4. Elmer Ward knocked out Flash Gordon.

Joe Grant outpointed Mickey Tollis, 12. Joe Webster drew with Frank Nielson, 10. Vic Patrick knocked out Jimmy Brunt, 6. Young Stenner outpointed Young McGee, 4. L. Johnson knocked out Billy Walsh, 8. Mickey Dooley knocked out Mick Moroney, 5. Wesley Mouzon outpointed Buck Streator, 10. Tommy Mills knocked out Joe Miller, 2. Babe Huerta knocked out Rio Rico, 3. Jack Cota outpointed Jimmy Webster, 4. Rudy Zidell outpointed Mike Martyk, 8. Vernon Brown knocked out Warren Dean, 3.

The featherweight bouts:

Willie Pep knocked out Johnny Virgo, 2. Sal Bartolo outpointed Vince Dell 'Orto, 10; outpointed Paulie Jackson, 10. Jackie Graves outpointed Charley (Cabey) Lewis, 8. Lewis lost to Pat Demers, 10.

Augie Lapara knocked out Chick Sanchez, 2. Lapara decisioned Ray Delgado, 8. Phil Terranova knocked out Steve Curley, 3; outpointed Frankie Carto, 10. Lino Garcia outpointed Arquimides Yirac, 10.

Timothy (Buddy) Hayes outpointed Jackie Harris, 12. Harris knocked out Corky Davis, 7. Spider Armstrong knocked out Willie Marcus, 9; drew with Midget Mayo, 10. Mayo outpointed Babe Kelly, 6. Marcus lost to Frank Palermo, 6.

Petey Virgin outpointed Jerry Darby, 10; outpointed Frankie Moore, 10. Emilio Sanchez out-

pointed Max Morales, 10. Mer Cooper won on a foul from Mickey Davis.

Eric McCreadle outpointed Danny Simmons, 12. Ginger Robinson knocked out by Billy Roberts, 13. Eddie Miller outpointed Kid Young, 15. Ray Delgado knocked out Pee Wee Flores, 7. Manny Ortega outpointed Leonardo Lopez, 10. Jack Hiles outpointed Sid Knight, 12. Ron Holland knocked out Paddy Chapman, 9.

Bobby Polowitzer outpointed Raul Madrid, 8. Polowitzer outpointed Madrid, 8. Polowitzer knocked out Joe Montiero, 5. Danny Carabella outpointed Mike Konnors, 8.

Joey Dolan outpointed Benny May, 8. May lost to Nick Stato, 8. Stato outpointed Leo Mucucci, 8. May drew with Fernando Gagnon, 8. Herbert (Biff) Jones outpointed Joe Dell, 8; outpointed Eddie Hines, 5. Hines outpointed Tony Cauderian, 6. Max Shindler outpointed Benny Jerome, eight.

Paul Febbo knocked out Gene Davis, 2. Freddie Pope and Ted Christie drew, 10. Christie outpointed Steve Kronis, 8. Blond Tiger outpointed Lloyd Hudson, 8. Tiger drew with Leo Methot, 8. Methot drew with Lloyd Hudson, 8. Chico Morales knocked out Danny Russell, 4.

Dennis Pat Brady outpointed Vinnie Vazzo, 10. Brady lost to Victor Flores, 8. Flores knocked out Pedro Biesca, 2. Flores lost to Allie Stolz, 8. Bobby Richards outpointed Snooks Lacey, 10. Richards drew with Lindsay Kenny, 10. Maurice (Lefty) LaChance outpointed Norman Hi-Ho Silver, 10. Gus Foran outpointed by Cliff Anderson, 10. Foran outpointed Jean Jouas, 10. Ritchie McCulloch outpointed Mickey Colbert, 8. Chris Kelly knocked out Ron Pritchard, 1. Charlie Smith outpointed Arthur Lewis, 6. Tommy McGlinchey won on a foul from Danny Webb, 6.

Al Pennino knocked out Richie Myashiro, 5. Jimmy McAllister outpointed Georgie Hansford, 10.

Fearless Freddie outpointed Len Serrette, 6. Fighting Tunney knocked out Jack Dick, 3. Joe Ralph drew with Young Baby Smiles, 10. Jock Leslie drew with Lou Alter, 10. Willie Alexander outpointed Joe Rodriguez, 8.

Joe Gagnon knocked out Gabriel Rios, 5. Jimmy Howard knocked out Rocky Protane, 4. Lou Bernal outpointed Roscoe Scally, 10.

Lee (Leo) Garrett outpointed Leroy Jackson, 8. Johnny Cook knocked out Bobby Kinder, 1. Kinder knocked out by Dick Carter, 2.

Jackie McCoy outpointed Tony Becerra, 4. Becerra drew with Nick Smith, 4. McCoy outpointed Pee Wee Lewis, 4. Becerra knocked out by Luis Castillo, 1.

Ham Wiloby knocked out Joe Tambe, 3; knocked out Richie Myashiro, 3. Pat Iacobucci knocked out Larry Tatum, 3. Iacobucci knocked out Columbus White, 3. Eddie Thomas outpointed George Junior, 5.

George Neubeck knocked out Kid Grant, 1. Chuck Burton drew with Archie Devino, 6. Devino lost to Vince Lauria, 6. Willie Leo outpointed Eddie Berry, 6; knocked out Bob Fuller, 2; outpointed Eddie Berry, 6; knocked out Leo Prince, 2. Prince knocked out by Charley Wooster, 2. Tony Florentino knoeked out Pee Wee Simms, 2.

Joe Delly drew with Joey Wasnick, 4. Wasnick drew with Sammy Zelman, 4. Wasnick outpointed Ernie Cabral, 6.

Filberto Osario knocked out Jimmy Jennette, 3; outpointed Jackie Floyd, 8; drew with Mike Konnors, 6.

Raymond (Perk) Glenn outpointed Al Jiminez, 4. Jiminez lost to Gene Roberts, 5.

Nick Davino outpointed Rocky Cappola, 4. Davino lost to Jim Brady, 4. Davey Allen knocked out Willie Duggan, 2.

Fred Latson knocked out Terry Thompson, 2. Latson knocked out Howard Jackson, 1. Thompson lost to Billy Reed, 8. Reed kayoed Iggy Paige, 4. Paige outpointed Charlie Stacker, 4.

Art Cooper outpointed Bud Cottey, 6. Cooper knocked out Jimmy Motley, 4. Cooper knocked out George Harrison, 2. Dave Marsh knocked out Midge Mangine, 2.

Tony Roberts outpointed Martin Taber, 6; outpointed Chuck Ackworth, 8. Taber knocked out Chuck Ackworth, 1. Johnny Longo knocked out Johnny Cottman, 2.

Mike Yukas outpointed Johnny Cunningham, 4; drew with Terry Moore, 4. Ossie Rodriguez outpointed Jimmy Jerico, 6. Rodriguez lost to Willie Weasel, 6. Rodriguez lost to Aponte Torres, 6. Weasel outpointed Matt Parker, 8.

Duane Hoag outpointed Chico Sanchez, 6; knocked out Paulie Cook, 2; knocked out Chico Sanchez, 5. Dom Fiantini outpointed Jose Guterrez, 8; knocked out Henry Briere, 4.

Ken Wenman knocked out Ted Argans, 3. Jack Rogers knocked out Sid Francis, 1. Al Thornycroft outpointed Bobby Clarke, 4. Don Scanlon knocked out Sammy Zelman, 4. Zelman knocked out by Donald Krieger, 1. Zelman outpointed Johnny Pitts, 6.

Billy Gillian knocked out Chuck Jackson, 1; outpointed Dick Lewis, 6. Mickey Quack knocked out Ossie Peguese, 5. Quack lost to Harry Jeffra, 10. Quack drew with Cedric Flournoy, 8.

Tony Fernandez outpointed Jackie Allen, 4. Joe (Sandy) Saddler knocked out Sammy Zelman, 1. Gene Leblanc knocked out Billy Constance, 2. Leblanc knocked out by Bobby English, 6.

Kid Cloutier outpointed Young Goupil, 4; drew with Tommy Daly, 6. Daly drew with Dick Egan, 4. Clint Miller outpointed Frankie Leta, 6.

Willard Coffey knocked out Jackie Boyd, 2; knocked out Bobby Williams, 2. Boyd drew with Ernie Hoffman, 4. Boyd outpointed Ted Varnador, 4. Frankie Waters outpointed Leon Jackson, 4; outpointed Leon Jackson, 4.

Joe Schultz outpointed Eddie Richardson, 4; knocked out Tony Mande, 2. Tony Andrews knocked out Willie King, 1. Frank Syrois knocked out Young Loielne, 2. Syrois kayoed Loielne, 2.

Freddie Hermann knocked out Ray Rogers, 2; lost to George Martin, 6. Louis Renteria knocked out Chuck Edwards, 2. Fabela Chavez outpointed Eddie Sangster, 6. Chavez outpointed Alfredo Escobar, 6.

Leslie Harris outpointed Jimmy Ricco, 5. Teddy Swain outpointed Pat Smith, 4. Swain knocked out by Tommy Greb, 2. Swain outpointed Tony Boguski, 4. Jerry Lavigne knocked out Johnny Racicot, 3.

Joe Victory knocked out Philip Williams, 2; outpointed Philip Williams, 5. Johnny Spencer outpointed Benny Macklom, 4.

Ed Cummiski outpointed Ivan Jones, 4; knocked out by Ivan Jones, 2. Jones outpointed Leo Prince, 6. Tito Valles outpointed Chuck Burton, 4; knocked out Carlos Ramos, 1. Louis Langley knocked out Joe Torres, 6. Leo Milito outpointed Oscar Lewis, 6; outpointed Jerry Darby, 6. Cleve Holt knocked out Young Kid Bobo, 1.

Young Pat Flowers outpointed Davey Cheatum, 4. Flowers outpointed Cheatum, 4. Hank Okura outpointed Andy Duncan, 4; outpointed Andy Pera, 4.

Russ Barnes outpointed Tommy Moriarty, 4. Barnes outpointed Jim Brady, 4. Leon Moore knocked out Danny Valdez, 4. Jack Clemento knocked out Juan Ramos, 1.

Al Sforza knocked out Bobby Kirk, 2. Morris Kapp knocked out Roy Sims, 1. Tony Costa knocked out Charlie Kelly, 5.

Armand (Kid) Conoyer drew with Jackie Moran, 4. Oscar Feld knocked out Earl Goings, 1 (a correction). Luther Burgess outpointed Cedric Flournoy, 4; knocked out Jimmy Neely, 3.

Mimmie Adragna outpointed Velmond White, 1. Dick Egan knocked out Icky Crane, 2. Will Poikier knocked out Battling Lyonnaise, 2. Burt Roy knocked out Billy Conley, 2.

Armand Cournoyer and Eddie Moran drew, 4. Al Ellis outpointed Joe Nelson, 4. Nick Diaz outpointed Pete Pacheco, 6. Pacheco drew with Bert White, 6.

King Carl Simmons outpointed Dick Lewis, 4. Simmons knocked out by Jackie Hart. Billy Gibson outpointed Danny Hubbell, 4. Frankie Gerrard knocked out Chocolate Kid, 3.

Frank Van lost to Pat Kitt, 4. Richard Mendoza drew with Pablo Ortiz, 4. John LaRusso outpointed Stanley Gomela, 4. Nick Darby knocked out Joe Green, 1.

Davey Allen knocked out Louis Langley, 6. Jimmy McKay outpointed Nick Grimaldi, 5. Frank Salvino outpointed Tippy Larson, 4.

Charley "Cabey" Lewis knocked out Larry Bolvin, 10. Tony Roberts outpointed Larry Doyle, 10. Jackie Floyd outpointed Victor Flores, 6. Danny Carabella outpointed Richie Myashiro, 6. Nick Davino knocked out Bobby O'Connell, 4. Kay Thomas outpointed Marcel Lamarche, 4. Young Cloutier outpointed Gil Roy, 4. Pat Linton outpointed Rex Jones, 6. Joey Ianotti knocked out Lou Suliveres, 2.

Dennis Pat Brady knocked out Oscar Lewis, 8. Roland Prairie outpointed Billy Carroll, 8. Arthur King knocked out Jean Barriere, 3. Chuck Burton drew with Nick Darby, 4. Mike Yukas knocked out Johnny Cunningham. Johnny Longo outpointed David Evans, 4. Billy Reed outpointed Charley Dent, 6. Kid Conover outpointed Pete Smagula, 4. Florient Bibeau outpointed Eddie Roberts, 6.

Alan Stewart knocked out Harry Thompson, 2. Ken Hatcher knocked out Ron Raynor, 2. Jackie Wilson drew with Mick Morley. Al Clarke knocked out Tom Johnson, 1. Willie Pep outpointed Jimmy Joyce, 10. Irish Johnny Mahoney knocked out Leo Methot, 5. Tom Fox knocked out Frank Kereing, 5. Sel Clarke knocked out Charlie Innes, 5. Pablo Ortiz outpointed Jose Navarez, 4. Joie Alvino outpointed Jess Salazar, 6. Don Fiantini outpointed Mike Gravino, 6. Ham Wiloby outpointed Proctor Reinhold, 6.

The bantamweights in action:

Mickey Carr outpointed Bernie Dunn, 12. Tony Olivera knocked out Joey Puig, 2. Cliff Anderson outpointed Gus Foran, 10. Roy Cutler lost to Vernon Dali, 8. Luis Galvani knocked out Pitchie Thompson, 2.

Young Montana outpointed Don Gibbons, 10. Hurricane Kid knocked out Young Jensen, 2. George (Stinging Ant) Fraser knocked out Anoop Singh, 7. Young Johnson knocked out Kid Singh, 1. Orphan (Tiny) Jules outpointed Al Simms, 6. Hurricane Kid Gene Richards outpointed Ben Charette, 8. Vince Lauria outpointed Archie Devino, 6. Lauria outpointed Devino, 6. Benny Cousins knocked out Battling Rosendo, 5. Robert Molina outpointed Chucho Chute, 4.

Hank Ulrich outpointed Paul Martinez, 4. Willie (Tiger) Anderson outpointed Pete Bolos, 6. Jimmy Callura knocked out Percy Idlett, 5.

Benny Malcolm outpointed Pat O'Brien, 4. Henry Goupil knocked out Kid Boucher, 4; outpointed Pee Wee Martin, 4. Frankie Pucci knocked out Wendel Douglas, 3.

Gene Richards outpointed Ben Charette, 8.

Frankie Rivera knocked out Charlie Stacker, 1.

Togs Torrington outpointed Al Thornycroft, 4. Fred Hernandez outpointed Robert Molina, 4.

Flyweight matches:

Mickey Hill outpointed Stumpy Butwell, 15, for Australian flyweight title.

Seaman Terry Allen knocked out Abdel F. Hassen, 3. Tom Smith outpointed Joe Kay, 8. Black Pico, champion, drew with Armando Puenti Pi, 12, title bout. Ramon Castillo knocked out Kid Guarina, 5. Theo Medina outpointed Cornelis, 10.

Billy Taylor outpointed Tich Farrell, 4. Abe Barnhill drew with Kid Birnstein, 6. Bombshell Carter knocked out Ted Bureaux, 3.

Pit Grenier knocked out Joe Pingaro, 3. Vic Carter outpointed Billy James, 6.

Alan Stanhope outpointed Tich Ferrell, 4. Young Morrison outpointed Pat Danahar, 4.

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Weights were: Turner, 151½; Augustain, 156½.

Three sixers were put on before the main go, and the results follow: Doug Ellison, 186, Richmond Negro, and Jack Hannon Porter, 175½, met again and went to a draw; Charley O'Kelley, 150, outfought Lincoln Stanley, 154, Oakland Negro, in a good battle, and Willie Butler, 153, decisioned Bobby Silva, 156, in an upset.

Joe Hudson's string of upset victories was halted when for the first time in his career he was favored. He held the odds over Wee Willie Williams, Detroit Negro, but was kayoed in seven rounds at National Hall.

Hudson went down before a barrage of body blows which first weakened then finished him. Williams painted a neat tattoo on the local heavy's tummy. Williams weighed 189; Hudson, 178.

Other results: Marvin Baker, 178, was awarded an unpopular decision over Jay O'Brien, 187, in four; Billy Mayfield, 152, won over Aaron Murkison, 157, in four; Young Salvador, 144, beat Lloyd Wagner, 143, in four; M. C. Daniels, 164, licked Percy Batler, 174, in four.

Bud Christman, local featherweight, made his first start in a year a success by scoring over Ruperto Garcia, newcomer from Mexico, in ten rounds at National Hall.

Christman outboxed Garcia easily and had no trouble getting the nod. Buddy looked in good condition and finally trimmed down at 125¾. Garcia weighed 125½.

"Top Row" Allen, 150, knocked out Tunero Lopez, 151, in two. Lopez was easy meat for hard-hitting "Top Row." Cleve Kelly, 159, halted Jimmy Simmons, 152, in one. Billy Carlisle, 139, won on a T.K.O. over Freddie Killingham, 137, in two.

Al Botano, fast-coming youngster, was handed a gift ten-round decision over Berry Wright, newcomer from Cleveland, in the main bout at Sacramento's L Street Arena.

The verdict was said to be one of the worst ever handed down at the Capitol City. Wright came West highly touted and probably received more backing by boxing the disputed nod than if he had won.

Preliminary results were not available.

Tony Bosnich, promising local heavyweight, jumped a notch with a T.K.O. win over the veteran Roman Starr, tattooed Oklahoman, in one heat at the Coliseum Bowl.

Bosnich slugged Starr at will and floored him four times before the referee called a halt. Tony is developing into 'Frisco's star attraction for he has a pleasing style, punching power, boxing skill, youth, ambition, and everything that makes a good drawing card.

Weights were: Bosnich 183, Starr 173.

Preliminary results follow: Tony Rodriquez, 136, decisioned Baby Santiago, 131, in four rounds; Carl Olson, 160, kayoed Vepe Watson, 156, in one; Angelo Rodgers, 133½, won over Billy Carlisle, 138, four; Leroy Willis, 136½, stopped Fred Killingham, 137, in three.

Paulie Peters, Frisco middleweight, upset the three-to-one odds by scoring an eight-round kayo over Fitzie Fitzpatrick, Irish blockbuster, in the main go at the Oakland Auditorium.

Paulie, always a slow starter, was down in the first but managed to weather the storm and come back strong. Peters came on fast in the middle rounds and flattened the Irisher in the eighth round.

Weights were: Peters 164, Fitzpatrick 167½.

The betting boys took it on the chin in the semi-final, too, for Ray Lewis, unknown gamester, defeated Nat Huskey, fast-rising Negro, in six. Other results: Joe Hudson, 190, T.K.O.'ed Johnny Ebarb, 190, in five. This, too, was a big surprise, for Ebarb was highly praised by Joe Louis while in the service and Hudson was a nobody. However, the latter pasted Johnny throughout.

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Pat Scanlon, 138, Irishtown's fighting Dead End Kid. Recent winner over Joey Angelo, Tony Pellone and Ruby Kessler.
Patsy Spataro, 140, Fought sensational fight with Tippy Larkin and beat Vince LaSalva and drew with Bernard Docusen.
Vinnie Rossano, 147, Holds decisions over Sonny Horne, George Kochan and Artie Dorrell.
Henry Jordan, 147, Held his own with Jimmy Doyle, Harold Green and Ralph Zannelli and beat Jerry Fiorello.
Maxie Berger, 147, Former Canadian Champion, winner over Chuck Hunter and fought Beau Jack, Ray Robinson.
Bert Lytell, 150, Drew with Holman Williams and fought split decision with Jacob LaMotta.
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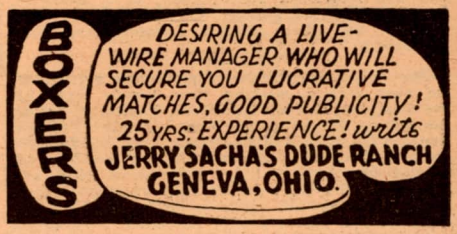


IOWA, NEBRASKA AND SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS

By BILL HAWKINS

DURING the past month we have been flooded with results of amateur boxing cards throughout this section, hence for a one-month stand we are going to turn his spot over to the youngsters who may some day be champions.

Norfolk, Neb.—Keith Boughn, Randolph, Neb., sailor, welterweight, and Larry Davis, light-heavyweight and ex-marine from Long Pine, Neb., fighting on the Ainsworth, Neb., team, stole the show in the semifinals and finals of the northeast Nebraska Golden Gloves tournament before 1,500 fans. Each scored two victories by kayoes.

Eight of the 10 bouts ended in technical knockouts.

Ainsworth scrappers, coached by Joe Greeno, won the team trophy by scoring 38 points. Winner, S. D., placed second with 29; Bloomfield, third, 21; Norfolk Y. M. C. A. and Randolph tied for fourth with 16.

Norfolk, Nebr.—Winner, S. D., Bloomfield and Ainsworth, Neb., boxing teams in the northeast Nebraska Golden Gloves preliminaries at Norfolk each put four scrappers in the semifinals and finals scheduled for Friday.

One knockout and three technical knockouts featured the card witnessed by 1,000 fans. Larry Davis, ex-marine from Long Pine, Neb., fighting on the Ainsworth team, defeated Dick Kane, Wisner, Neb., former northeast Nebraska Golden Gloves champion, in the best bout of the night.

Bill Laverty, Ainsworth flyweight, scored the quickest knockout when he dropped Charles Deering, Norfolk, to a full count in 1 minute, 7 seconds, of the first round.

Watertown, South Dakota—Before an estimated 1,800 persons Watertown's sectional Golden Gloves tournament opened in the city auditorium.

Two knockouts, two technicals, nine decisions and a forfeit were served up to the fans in an action-packed evening.

Mason City, Ia.—Ten Golden Gloves champions, winners of north Iowa crowns, were named at the local armory.

A capacity crowd watched the proceedings. Four knockouts and six decisions featured the program with several promising fighters uncovered by Promoter Russ Kelly.

Best bouts of the evening were turned in by Dwight Shaver of Mason City, Ronald Ashland of Clear Lake and Clarence Smith of Mason City, a shifty Negro lad dubbed "Little Atomic" by his followers.

Shaver knocked out Bud Livingstone of Albert Lea, Minn., in 1:40 of the first round.

Ashland also disposed of his man in the initial stanza, dropping Tom Malepsy of Albert Lea in 1:50.

Last Minute Sparks—Sioux City's big Golden Gloves boxing meet is ready to take off and will feature some of the best youngsters in this section. . . . Jimmy Totman, a former student at North High Des Moines, led Pillsbury Academy to the team title in the Minnesota District No. 5 Golden Gloves meet. . . . He won the light-heavyweight title. . . . John Josse of Des Moines was a semifinalist in the welterweight class. . . . Two key men in the Sioux City Golden Gloves meet are E. Q. Hoberg and Ty Dillon. Hoberg is A. A. U. commissioner in the Sioux City territory while Dillon is coach and will have charge of the Sioux City team when they make their trip to Chicago. . . . Paul Hartnek, former Golden Gloves champion and professional heavyweight fighter, was third man for the Golden Gloves meet at Norfolk, Nebraska.

The Associated Press tabulation of figures from 32 state athletic commissions showed that boxing in Nebraska for 1945 drew an aggregate attendance of 16,141 with receipts of $26,810. Pinkie George, popular Des Moines boxing promoter, is making every effort to bring in top-notch talent for his boxing cards . . . Bob Morley, former Golden Gloves champion, was the donor of a Golden Gloves trophy for the Sioux City meet . . . Remember, you can reach us at 2206 N. Lafayette, Sioux City, Iowa.

Council Bluffs, Ia.—Mike Hushall of Council Bluffs scored the only double triumph as Golden Gloves boxing was revived here.

The 135-pounder opened with a decision over Bob Brown of Logan then outlasted Mike Murphy also of Council Bluffs.

Des Moines, Ia.—Othel Green, a veteran of the Rangers who was wounded at Oran in the North African campaign, is returning to Golden Gloves competition and the return of the former state amateur lightweight and welterweight king will be watched with interest.

Any resemblance between Othel Green today and the guy who won 76 of 80 amateur starts in state and national competition may be sheer coincidence.

Only a few months ago Green, softened by idleness following his army discharge after a long siege in the hospital, tipped the beam in the neighborhood of 190 pounds.

But he's down to 160 pounds now, trying to get back his timing and improve his speed in workouts with other boxers at the Jewish Community center.

Lincoln, Nebr.—Iowa State College defeated Nebraska, 21-9, in a Big Six wrestling match.

WISCONSIN BOXING GOSSIP

With Pinky Mitchell, Former World Junior Welterweight Champion

BILLY MITCHELL and Al Fain's Wisconsin Boxing Club ushered in the New Year with an afternoon show that packed the big Auditorium. A splendid card topped by a double windup with Dave Castilloux and Doll Rafferty in one half and Tony Martin and Bennie Droll in the other, grossed $19,350.00.

Both Milwaukee entries won, Rafferty, 136, scored two knockdowns to win the 10 round decision over Dave Castilloux, 135, Montreal, while Martin, 159, sent four booming right hands that floored Bennie Droll, 153, Peoria, the last one knocking him out in 2:50 of round 4. Martin looked like the old Tony Cianciola Martin who was rated among the first ten middleweights before he entered Uncle Sam's service three years ago. He is ready for the best. Rafferty showed plenty of fan appeal too. His punches were faster and more accurate than those of Castilloux. The French Canadian seemed unable to shake off the fog of the two knockdowns early in the fight.

In the preliminaries, all scheduled for five rounds, Johnny Gaudes, 125½, Milwaukee, knocked out Butch Maxwell, 130½, Gary, in 1:32, round 4. Marion Rhoeten. 128½, Milwaukee, beat Hank O'Kura, American-born Jap, 127 lbs., managed by Johnny Coulon, former bantamweight champion, 5. Johnny Roszina, 149, So. Milwaukee, defeated Stanley Reitzner, Appleton, 153½, in 5. Ramey McKnight, 159½, Milwaukee, beat Ted Newsome, 162½, Gary, in 5. Referees, Julius Fidler and Dauber Jaeger. Judges, Owen Murphy and Les Camara. Timekeeper, John Eisenmann.

The Wisconsin Boxing Commission started off the year with a meeting New Year's Day. All five members, Harvey Buchanan, Chairman, Joseph Landauer, Peter Schumacher, Frank Fawcett, Roundy Coughlin and Secretary Fred Saddy were present. Buchanan, Superior senior member, appointed by Gov. Phil La Follette in 1936 and reappointed by Gov. Julius Heil and Gov. Goodland, resigned as chairman after holding the chair for two years. Joseph Landauer, Milwaukee, a wholesale dry goods merchant, was elected chairman. Joe is a stern disciplinarian and can be counted upon to do a good job. Frank Fawcett, Milwaukee, an attorney, was voted vice chairman.

On Jan. 11—Jimmy Sherrer, 149¼, Milwaukee, had his championship bubble burst in the first round of a bout with Chuck Hunter, Cleveland, 150, when a right hand crashed on his chin in 1:50 of fighting. A left hook to the head shortly after the bell did Jimmy no good. Later two potent left hooks to the body paved the way for the finishing punch. Tiger Brown one of the leading light-heavyweights of the 30's had an able representative in Tom Walsh whose hard work in the city for ten days prior to the bout aided considerably in putting $12,200 in the house. Brown manages Hunter.

Charley "Killer" Parham, 156, Milwaukee, and Andres, Indian Gomez, 162½, New York, stole the show with a corking good scrap. Three left hooks upset the Indian for counts until one finally put him away in 2:20 of the sixth round. Alvin Jordan, 137½, Milwaukee, KO'ed Jimmy Wilson, 139¼, Detroit, 2. Annunzio Ferrera, 138½, Milwaukee, beat Al Jackson, 145½, Chicago, in 5. Sammy Cicerella, 132, Milwaukee, KO'ed Ed Rawlins, 129, Chicago, 2. Referees, Hed Jamieson and Louie Schultz. Judges, Al Baranek and Les De Camara. Timekeeper, John Eisenmann.

Jack Kearns was up for the show handing out the old Jack Dempsey "Ballyhoo." Quoting Kearns, "I have the only fighter who can lick Joe Louis. That's Joe Maxim, just out of the service."

The announcement by Mike Jacobs that Joe Louis would defend the world heavyweight championship in New York, June 19th, started a friendly family discussion at brother Richie's home, with brother Billy also present.

I picked Conn. Brother Richie said Louis by a knockout. Brother Billy's verdict was the decision to Louis after 15 rounds. If three brothers who have been in the fighting business for the better part of 25 years can't agree on who is going to win you can imagine the mental gymnastics the average fight fan will go through in trying to pick the winner. This uncertainty should make the bout the biggest betting affair the country has ever seen.

Brother Billy who managed us when we were fighting and now is promoting boxing shows, said, "The fight will go 15 rounds and Joe Louis will win the decision. A knockout punch requires exact timing in addition to power. He must trick his opponent into just the right position prior to delivery of the K.O. punch. He may knock Conn down several times but he will not have that old finesse to finish him off. Only actual ring combat will put that polish on a fighter."

Brother Richie said, "Louis is too big and strong for Conn, I think Louis will figure if the bout goes the limit Conn will get the decision on points. That leaves Louis with but one alternative —go out and throw punches from the first gong just as he did in the second Schmeling fight. I don't look for the fight to go over half a dozen rounds."

I reason differently—when the fight takes place Louis will be 32 years old. Including his amateur bouts he has been fighting about 15 years. That means he is not a young man as fighters go. When he steps into the ring he will have been inactive in ring combat for more than four years. Conn is but 28 and spent 12 years in the ring. Figuring from the age standpoint Conn will be able to round into condition much easier than Louis. I think you will find the same thing happen to Louis that happened to old John L. Sullivan when Jim Corbett won the world's title.

Jack Hill, 168, Bloomington, received a split decision over Bennie Droll, 160, Peoria, in the eight-round windup at Beloit, Wis. Droll scored most often using a left jab and right uppercut with Hill landing the harder punches, a left hook to chin and body. Announcer Jack Craddick came in for a chorus of friendly panning by the crowd when he announced Droll as the winner only to check the referee's and judges' card to find that two of them voted for Hill. It was a good scrap and we thought the first announcement correct.

In the preliminaries Hank O'Kura, Chicago Jap, 130, and Andy Pera, 126, Mexico, stole the show. They fought from gong to gong with Hank getting the decision. Joey Richards of Chicago, 156, was K.O.'ed in 2:14 of round four by Ted Newsome, 163, Gray. Mel Workman, South Bend, 168, K.O.'ed Dave Griffin, 169, Gary, in 2:45 of round one. Don Wallenfang, 139, Milwaukee, won over Johnny Ortega, 141, Beloit, in four. Promoter Milt Ellis. Gate $1620. Referee, Earl Olson. Judges, Les De Camara and Tom Swope.

AKRON, OHIO BOXING

By BOB HEATH

THE Century Boxing Enterprise of Akron held its semi-monthly professional boxing show at the Armory. The card, featuring Pat Comiskey, of Paterson, N. J., and Johnny White, of Long Island City, N. Y., in the 10-round headliner, was arranged by Matchmaker Johnny Hannison.

It was a great show and attracted a capacity turnout, nearly 2,200 fans who contributed $5,400 to the gross.

Comiskey, making his second appearance here in the headline bout, decisioned White after a great scrap. Comiskey had White on the canvas three times for nine counts, but the game Negro belter withstood the barrage and gave a fine exhibition. Comiskey, too, was his usual self. He punched hard, handled himself well, and definitely looks like he's headed far up the ladder of fistic success again.

In the semi-final, billed for eight rounds, Milton Glass of Akron, O., making his second start since his discharge from the service, stopped Bobby Thomas of Jersey City, N. J., in the second round of their lightweight match. Glass is a real comer. While in the service he won the European theatre featherweight championship, defeating the best fighters the service could offer. Among his victims were several foreign champions and numerous service divisional champs.

It looks as if Akron has really come into its own as a fight center. Recently pro cards here have drawn capacity houses and the fistic future looks exceedingly bright. Of course we're interested in more talent and would welcome anyone who would like to show here. Managers or fighters interested should contact Hannison or the writer at 109 South Main St., Akron, Ohio.

IN TACOMA, WASHINGTON

By HOMER AMUNDSEN

A YOUNG middleweight fighter from Tacoma, who will be closely watched in the future is Don Ferris. This 22 year old youth with only a dozen amateur bouts under his belt, won a clean cut victory over Eddie Cant, 1945 Northwest Golden Gloves middleweight champion on an amateur card in Seattle, January 17th. Ferris, with a little more polishing, will join the money rank boys.

At Hoquiam, Washington, on January 24, the first professional boxing show in over six years was dished out to the Grays Harbor fans. Close to fifteen hundred fans sat in on a colorful fight program. Hoquiam promoters plan on a series of boxing shows in their lively town.

Buster Arnestad, 17 year old Tacoma youngster, continues to grow rapidly, in development of body and ring experience. The curly-headed youth still leads the local field of promising kid prospects, and some of the time worn veterans of the leather trade have termed the lad, The Shades of Leo Lomski.

So many fighters are in training at the Amundsen gym, more lockers had to be installed, and by the way, this spot seems to be about the only fight gym in the state where all the boxers are white boys.

Whenever Leo Sweeney, Al "Catfish" Bourgeois, and Art Dehlinger, all welterweights, are on a boxing program, the fans get a run for their money.

Bliss Lee Croft, Tacoma heavyweight who boxed **Canadian Packey Paul, to an** eight round draw **in a main event at the Tacoma Armory** before **a $4500 house recently,** is hard at work in the Amundsen gym. The 23 year old likeable fellow is serious in his ring work, and his many friends wish him loads of luck.

Each Wednesday evening, the Amundsen gym is turned over to the youngsters of the Tacoma *Times* Carriers Club. Get together boxing programs between the newspaper kids are on tap for the near future. These boxing classes are sponsored by the Tacoma *Times* Publishing Co., being part of the newspaper's Athletic program for their carriers.

Rumors have it that Olympia, Washington, the State's Capital, may soon see some boxing action in that city. This writer spent half an hour with the Governor in his office in the Capitol some time back, and is quite certain if and when boxing shows are conducted in Olympia, his excellency will have his seat at the ringside.

In Seattle, Washington, a great little guy by the name of Mickey Connelly, is doing a bang-up job with his amateur cards, which are staged in the Seattle Eagles Hall.

Forty copies of last month's RING, the month's entire allotment for Russell's newsstand, sold out in two days.

This writer's address: Amundsen's Gymnasium, 719½ Commerce St., Tacoma, Wash.

SERVICEMEN'S FINALS IN FAR EAST OLYMPIC MEET

ARMY and Navy boxers took part in tournaments in the Philippines which drew a total of 17,500 fans. With soldiers from the Philippines, Marianas, Hawaiian area, and also all the way from Japan to Korea competing, the action was fast and furious. The GIs representing the Philippines area won the Pacific Army Olympic boxing honors.

The highlight of the Army show, which was watched by an estimated 7,500 service men and women, was a first round knockout in the senior welterweight class.

Jesse Jackson, 154, of Los Angeles (Marianas), connected with a right cross to the jaw of Johnnie Spoon, 154, New York City (Philippines), which ended the fight in a minute and forty seconds. It was Jackson's second knockout of the tournament.

The winners all received gold watches with gold straps, while the losers received gold watches with leather straps. Maj. Gen. William O. Ryan, commander of the Pacific division, Air Transport Command, made the presentations.

In other bouts Guy Williams, 191, Delaware County, Pa. (Philippines), outpointed Sam Williams, 218, Cleveland (Marianas), 3; Walter Chung, 119, Honolulu (Hawaii), outpointed Henry Caravalho, 119 (Japan-Korea), 3; William Dungan, 134½, Brooklyn (Marianas), outpointed Richard Brown, Jr., 132, Clairton, Pa. (Philippines), 3; Buddy Holderfield, 144½, Scott, Ark. (Philippines), won a decision over Leon Mauch, 144½, Bassett, Neb. (Japan-Korea), 3.

Billy Grombacher (CQ), 151½, Youngstown, Ohio (Philippines), outpointed Jimmy Brooks, 155½, Los Angeles (Marianas), 3; John Gardner, 173½, Washington, D. C. (Marianas), outpointed Joe Cambra, 169½, Honolulu (Hawaii), 3, and James Quiocho, Honolulu (Hawaii), won the featherweight title by default from George Dunn, Hartford, Conn. (Philippines).

A crowd of 10,000 saw the Marianas team win six of eight Central Pacific Navy boxing championships at Guam. The Marshall-Gilbert team took the other two.

The eight winners will compete in the Navy finals at a date still to be announced.

Featherweight Johnny Richards of Los Angeles and Saipan scored a technical knockout over Lenny Debias of Tresckow, Pa., and Roi. Lightweight Lee Damon of Fort Defiance, Ariz., and Truk, took the decision from Lucky Beale of Memphis and Kwajalein.

In the welterweight division, Richard Douglas of Quincy, Ill., and Guam, defeated Kenny Richardson of Blackwell, Okla., and Kwajalein.

Bert Linam of Austin, Tex., and Saipan, took the senior welterweight laurels with a technical knockout over Jimmy Hubbard of Washington, D. C., and Kwajalein.

Middleweight Charlie Brocken of Warren, Ohio, and Roi, won on points from Andy Chapman, New York City and Guam. Light-heavyweight Roger Douglas of Hartford, Conn., and Guam, won the decision from Johnny Wood of El Paso, Tex., and Kwajalein.

Lee Stewart of East St. Louis, Ill., and Guam, blitzed the heavyweight championship with a first-round technical knockout over Don Huebler of Ann Arbor, Mich., and Kwajalein.

The bantamweight crown went to Alvin Anderson (home address unavailable) without a fight when the Marianas team failed to enter a contender.

CENTRAL OHIO SWINGS AND HOOKS

By LESS HUFFMAN

JACKIE FRANKLIN, who is just out of the U. S. Navy, is the best looking prospect to come out of the service around this part of the country. In his first start he stopped Young Shumacker at Cincinnati in the third heat. Franklin had six fights while in the service. He drew once and won five. Before joining the Navy, Franklin drew with Carmen Notch, stopped Joe Myers and Toney Partricio all within a month.

Dave Clark, Cincinnati middleweight, was given the duke over Ossie "Bulldog" Harris at Toledo. No one in the hall thought Clark won, but he was given the decision, nevertheless.

Art Price looked very good while winning over Harry Hart in Columbus. Only a youngster, he showed plenty of moxie when in trouble.

Art Swiden, a newcomer to the fight game here, went home to Pittsburgh for a vacation.

Freddy Tibbs and Tod Doughty, local prelim fighters, have resumed training.

Archie Hindman, chairman of the Indiana State Boxing Commission, reveals that Indianapolis is getting ready to promote a big boxing show on the eve of the Memorial Day auto race, and that Jack Dempsey will be the third man in the ring.

Floyd Gibbons, a pretty good heavyweight, who topped several shows here in Columbus before going into the service, has decided to return to the ring.

At Cincinnati the Becker brothers, fight promoters, staged a great match between Sugar Costner and Tip Ramsey, both of the Queen City. The largest crowd to jam the Music Hall for several years was on hand.

Ramsey caused Costner plenty of trouble all through the bout, but was stopped in the last round.

In the semi windup, Pat Iacobucci and Larry Tatum, both Cincinnati featherweights, tore right after each other at the opening bell. The fight ended in the third round when Iacobucci kayoed Tatum.

The other eight-rounder, between Gib Jones, Cincinnati, and Bill Jackson, Huntington, W. Va., was a real battle between two evenly matched light-heavyweights. Jones was given the nod.

Johnny Cook, of Cincinnati, was awarded a T.K.O. over Bob Kinder of Huntington, W. Va., in the first heat of a scheduled six. The opener ended in a K.O. in favor of Jackie O'Cohen, Cincinnati, over Duke Windsor of Huntington, W. Va.

Al Saul, clever little flyweight, who lost out in the amateurs here in Columbus last year, joined the Navy and is stationed in Hawaii. Every boxing card was held at the Pasig Stadium.

Results of the fights at Cincinnati on New Year's follow: Bob Simmons of Indianapolis won the duke over Frankie Abrams of Pittsburgh, Pa., in ten heats. It was a good close fight.

In the semi-final Sgt. Dick Cook was given the nod over Detroit's Alex Jiminez in eight rounds.

Ted Nichols scored a five-round T.K.O. over Herb Jones, Indianapolis. Light-heavyweight Lloyd Gibson, Cincinnati, copped the duke over Ira Hughes, Akron, in five.

Chicken Gaines, Cincinnati, won over Curley Denton, Cincinnati, in five. Jimmy Howard, Cincinnati, won the decision over Bobby Beaman of Indianapolis. One thousand forty-six of the faithful were on hand.

It was a good show but the promoters, Billy Pool and Jack Brown, took it on the chin for about a grand.

Funny people these fight promoters including the writer.

Pat Comiskey visited Akron, Ohio, long enough to show the fight fans of that city that Gus Mulner is good enough for the ordinary heavyweights, but that he'd better stay in that class if he wants to maintain his good health. Comiskey just toyed with Mulner, then when he thought the fans had had enough, he just let go with a few stiff punches and Mulner was counted out in the third heat after 51 seconds.

The semi-final bout of eight rounds between Milton Glass, classy little Akron featherweight, and Oscar Williams of New York, was a pretty nice fight. Williams was dropped for nine counts in the first and second rounds, but managed to weather the storm, after Glass decided to show the fans he was not only a fighter but a dancer.

Joe Miller hit the canvas two times for eight counts in his bout with Irish Ray Miller of Ellwood City, Pa., but in the second heat Joe rushed out of his corner and dumped Ray for the full count.

The referee stopped the fight between Dave Marsh, making his first pro start, and Midge Mangine of Cleveland, Ohio, and gave Marsh the fight.

The opening bout was also stopped when Jimmy Howard of Akron halted John Garner, Buffalo, in the third round. Garner suffered an eye cut in the third heat.

Two thousand six hundred thirteen fans were on hand for the bouts, and paid $6,110.75 while coming through the turnstiles. This is a new record for Akron in receipts and attendance. Bob Heath, promoter, and Johnny Hannison, matchmaker, of the Rubber City boxing cards, finally hit the jack pot. Perhaps Thursday, January the 10th, is the lucky day for the boys.

Herb Simmons, who can be reached in care of the Lima City police station, is promoting some semi-pro shows. This is a good place to get your amateur boys started in on five- and six-round bouts. Managers and fighters will find Herb a dandy fellow to deal with.

Lee Hammond has been appointed matchmaker for the new Dayton fight club. Mike Mantia and Joe Merineli are affiliated with Hammond. These three well-known Dayton promoters, along with several more who are determined to put the fight game over in Dayton, are now concentrating on bringing some name fighters into Dayton during the latter part of March.

The capacity crowd in Cincinnati for the Costner-Ramsey show has spurred the local promoters to negotiate for top attractions.

The Becker brothers will concentrate on welterweights and middleweights, the Pool Brown Organization will bill heavyweights. The fans can expect a lot of good shows throughout the rest of the winter.

The Willie Russell vs. Gene Burton fight at Cincinnati, was a real Donnybrook throughout the ten heats.

Both boys tossed all caution to the winds. It appeared as if both lads couldn't possibly go the distance at the pace they were setting. First one, then the other would be leading. After ten gruelling rounds Burton won the decision.

Art Swiden, Columbus, put the finishing touch to Bud Columbus of Cincinnati, with a terrific right in the second round.

Freddy Tibbs, Columbus lightweight, lost the duke to Jack O'Cohen of Cincinnati in four heats. Ben Parks, Columbus lightweight, lost the duke to Billy Smith of Cincinnati in four.

Harry Hartman and Leonard Shallat, Cincinnati fight promoters, have tossed in the sponge. The Queen City boys have tried hard to stage good shows.

The climax came when they promoted the Gene Burton-Willie Russell bout which Cincinnati newspapers have declared was the greatest show staged in Cincinnati for several years. The gate was small considering the type of talent used and the promoters lost money.

If the fight fans do not wake up and support boxing, Cincinnati will be dead to the sport while other cities will reap the harvest.

Harry Hart, recently out of the Navy, is now being booked by the writer. He is a lightweight. Promoters who like club fighters will like this fighter's style.

Cincinnati fight fans were treated to the third good boxing show in as many weeks as Floyd Gibson, Cincinnati, defeated Tommy Charles, Indianapolis, in a good slugfest with Gibson gaining the eight-round decision.

The semi-final of eight rounds between Ted Nichols, Cincinnati heavyweight, and Tommy Woodward, Columbus, was a corking eight-rounder. The duke went to Nichols, who seemed to be trailing all through the fight.

Chicken Gaines, Cincinnati, lost the duke to Gene Simmons, Indiana lightweight, after eight heats. Gaines started all right, but experience began to tell after the third round. The fight was never in doubt as Simmons won handily.

Oliver Cobbins won a clean-cut decision over George Weaver in four rounds. Both boys hail from Cincinnati.

Karl Simmons, Cincinnati, whipped Dick Lewis, Columbus, in four. Jimmy Howard, Newport, Kentucky, knocked out Rocky Protane, Huntington, W. Va.

Chris Cline is busy trying to line up some bouts for his new organization, the Cincinnati Waiters' Union of which he is to act as matchmaker. Chris claims he is going to bring some outstanding bouts to the Queen City. Herb Gilmore, who a few years back was meeting all the good featherweights, is seen frequently at local fights acting as second.

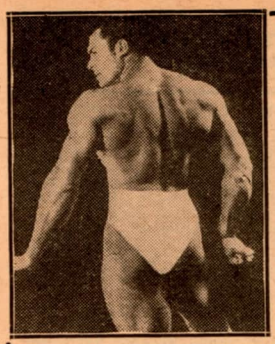
Joe Merineli, former Dayton featherweight, started to train for a comeback, but after a few weeks Joe changed his mind and is going to take out a referee's license instead.

Charley Banks, Cincinnati clouter, is making a nice comeback. In his last fight he gave Mose Brown, the Huntington, W. Va., light-heavy, a neat going over.

Rudy Zadell, Akron, and Wally Holm of Minneapolis, hooked up in a dandy scrap with Holm getting the nod. It was a six-round semi-final to the Jackie Graves vs. Cabey Lewis bout.

Joe Basco's son Joe Jr., is getting ready to leave for Johannesburg, South Africa, where he will take some fighters for bouts there. The fighters who are planning to make the trip are Procter Heinold, featherweight from Oklahoma City, and Spider McCullen, Missouri welterweight. These two fighters have been booked for several shows.

Cal Courtney is back in the gymnasium getting ready for action. Cal weighs 145, and can hit like a mule.



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Alabama Kid in a letter to the writer says he likes it in Australia, and although he is eligible to come home now, he has decided to stay Down Under. The Kid, who was one of the best around this part of the country, could not get the top flight boys to fight him. News from Australia has it that Alabama Kid is ready to hang them up as he has been stopped the last few times out. The writer started the Kid when he was 14 years old.

Fight promoters and fans of several years back will be glad to hear that Jerry Sack, former manager of fighters in Cleveland, Ohio, is making a comeback as a fight manager. Jerry Sack, formerly of Cleveland, is planning to open a gymnasium in Geneva, Ohio, and expects to book his fighters in near-by spots.

Bruno Sala, at one time a very good welterweight, who headlined a lot around Akron and Cleveland, is now the manager of Lee Sala, who is 20 years old, stands six feet tall and weighs 162 pounds. Lee can be booked by dropping Bruno a line at 611 5th St., Donora, Pa.

Fists flew thick and fast at the Memorial Hall as the annual Golden Gloves eliminations got under way before 3260 fight fans.

It was a record opening night crowd that surprised even the committee which makes the tournament possible here in Columbus. All of the gate receipts go to making the Zoo bigger and better. Local winners and runners up will compete in the Ohio A.A.U. eliminations.

Summaries: Jimmy Galuchio, 139, won over William Adams, 141, 3 rounds, Charley Palmer, 133, decisioned Paul Cline in three, Jack Boerstler, 132, kayoed Robert Martin, 134, in 1:12 of the second. Albert Alexander, 148, was stopped by Elige Commerlander in two.

Millard Henry stopped Chester Harris in 1:07 of the third round. Bud Sowers, 111, decisioned Guy Devito, 112. Bob Teach, 136, kayoed Young Jack, 136, in 1:51 of the first.

Charles Moore, 136, beat Jerry Pentz, 136, in three. John Tynan, 156, whipped Richard Price, 156, in three. Rex Hyer, 142, walloped Jack Rees, 140, in three. John Slack, 112, beat Junior Manes, 111. William Harrington, 155, knocked out Bob Coney, 155, in 1:42 of the second. Eugene Harmon, 184, stopped James Grayer, 187, in 48 seconds of the second round. Russell Gould, 141, knocked out Bud Craig, 141, in 1:08 of the first round. Elmer Lincoln, 136, knocked out Earl Wiggins, 136, in the second. John Lucak, 148, beat Bob Dominy, 147, in three. William Graham, 134, beat Art West, 135, in three. Tod Akins, 157, beat Albert Careker, 156, in three. Ollie Oelgoetz, Nick Barrack, Dr. Paul, along with a number of other business men are responsible for the amateur shows here in Columbus.

Cal Courtney, one of the best looking amateur welterweights in this part of the country, has been discharged from the army and is now preparing to box professionally.

Dave Harris, the wrestling promoter in Portsmouth and Hamilton, Ohio, is packing them in every week. Harris is now getting ready to open up in Ironton, Ohio, and is also giving Ashland, Ky., the eye. Harris at one time promoted boxing shows in Zanesville.

All questions pertaining to fights in this vicinity will be answered provided a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Send all notes to Less Huffman, Box 211, Station G, Columbus, Ohio, on or before the first of each month.

KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY
By JUANITA YEARGAIN

A WELL-TRAINED Kansas City boxing team, with Bert Ellis, 21-year-old army dischargee, displaying brilliant form by scoring his sixteenth consecutive knockout over Art Raby, Chicago, in the first round of the light-heavyweight division, defeated the Chicago C. Y. C. aggregation six bouts to two, the night of January 16, in Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium.

Results: 112-pound class—Victor Gomez, Kansas City, outpointed Ray Palmanter, Chicago.

118-pound class—Ray Lee, Kansas City, outpointed Frank Barker, Chicago.

175-pound class—Bert Ellis, Kansas City, kayoed Art Raby, Chicago, in 1:24 of round one.

135-pound class—Joe Rima, Kansas City, outpointed Ernest Mosley, Chicago.

Heavyweight class—John Huntsman, Kansas City, kayoed John Polcyn, Chicago, in 33 seconds of second round.

160-pound class—Stanley Shealey, Chicago, outpointed Ray McCoy, Kansas City.

126-pound class—Bobby Jarvis, Kansas City, scored technical knockout over Harry Scorzo, Chicago, in 1:47 of second round.

147-pound class—Abe Lee, Chicago, outpointed Rudy Payasappe, Kansas City.

Employing the same weaving tactics of his able teacher-manager, Henry Armstrong, former triple crown bearer, Roy Miller showed Kansas City fistic fans that he is an apt pupil as he handed Ray Spurlock a decisive beating in the main event of a program before approximately 3,000 fans who paid $4,180.80 to see the interesting card in Memorial Hall, Kansas City, Kansas, January 15.

Results: Roy Miller, 163, Kansas City, outpointed Ray Spurlock, 164, Kansas City.

Billy Reed, 130½, Indianapolis, outpointed Terry Thompson, 126½, St. Louis, in six rounds.

Levi Southall, 148, Kansas City, knocked out Patsy Brandon, 141¼, St. Louis, in 55 seconds of first round.

Freddie Latson, 127½, St. Louis, scored technical knockout over Howard Jackson, 121, Kansas City, in 2:22 of first round.

Charley Dent, 135, Leavenworth, scored technical knockout over Lil' Abner, 140, Kansas City, Kansas, in third round.

Charley Myers was the guest of honor and Lou Amayo was the sensation, Wednesday night, January 30th, at the final amateur boxing show before the Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions in the Kansas City, Mo., Auditorium, on February 11, 12, 13 and 16.

The city welfare and recreation department and friends of Myers voiced appreciation of his more than thirty years of work with amateur boxers in Kansas City and showered the fast-talking ring expert with gifts. Myers, the leading figure in the promotion and development of amateur boxing in Kansas City, recalled many champions of the past in thanking those who honored him.

Amayo, popular Golden Gloves welterweight champion in 1942, made his ring debut as a middleweight after three years in the army and scored a smashing knockout victory over L. C. Alexander, tough Ft. Leavenworth soldier. The results:

112-pound class—L. C. Dohlman, Wyandotte, won by decision from Howard Painter, North Side. Theodore Smith, Gateway, won by decision from Wadier Campbell, Haskell. Bob Louvier, Northeast, won by decision from Sam Keeiver, Haskell. Victor Gomez, Argentine Parish House, won by decision from Reg Southall, Gateway.

118-pound class — Arthur Ulibarri, Haskell, knocked out Kay McFlore, Wyandotte, fifty-four seconds, round one. Fernando Rivera, West Side, won by decision from James Lunn, Gateway.

126-pound class—Lennon Mings, Ft. Leavenworth, knocked out Alfred Turner, K. A. C., 1 minute, 7 seconds of round two. Floyd Perry, Gateway, won by decision from Charles Harrison, Haskell.

135-pound class—Wendell Sexton, Gateway, won by decision from Ward Jones, Haskell. Earl Murphy, Kansas A. C., won by decision from Eli Wilson, Haskell. Charles Witt, Gateway, won by decision from Eddie Martinez, Argentine Parish House. Edward Carr, Gateway, won by technical knockout from Fred Bardley, Wyandotte, at end of second round. Joe Rima, North Side, won by decision from Russ Moore, Wyandotte.

147-pound class—Ray Jones, Northeast, won by decision from Rex Sumner, Haskell. Jerry Underhill, Haskell, won by a technical knockout from Harold Steiner, Northeast, 1 minute, 21 seconds of third round.

160-pound class—Lou A. Mayo, Argentine Parish House, knocked out L. C. Alexander, Ft. Leavenworth, 1 minute, 19 seconds of third round.

175-pound class—Bert Ellis, Westside, won by a technical knockout from John Bowen, Ft. Leavenworth, 1 minute, 43 seconds of first round.

Heavyweight class—John Huntsman, 191, Westside, knocked out Royal Brown, 189, Ft. Leavenworth, 1 minute, 10 seconds of round two.

Winning five out of eight bouts, two by the knockout route, Wichita's amateur boxing team won their intercity match over Oklahoma City on Wednesday, January 16, before 2,500 fans in the Forum, and retained the team trophy. The team matches:

105-pound class—Jimmy Autry, Wichita, decisioned Jack McCann, Oklahoma City.

118-pound class—Dick Darnell, Wichita, decisioned Sammy Bayless, Oklahoma City.

126-pound class — Kenneth Wiles, Oklahoma City, decisioned Bud Love, Wichita.

135-pound class — Hershall Acton, Oklahoma City, decisioned Jesse Moore, Wichita.

147-pound class—Matt Baranski, Wichita, decisioned Butch Goose, Oklahoma City.

160-pound class — Jimmy Beardon, Wichita, kayoed Bennie Harrell, Oklahoma City, 1:14 of second round.

175-pound class—Tony Calvi, Oklahoma City, kayoed Kenneth Bernard, Wichita.

Heavyweight—Al Velez, Witchita, T.K.O.'ed Grover Zothigh, Oklahoma City, in last round.

Special Events: 135-pound class—Leonard Neal, Wichita, decisioned Cloy Hollingshead, Oklahoma City.

135-pound class—Roger Cloud, Oklahoma City, decisioned Vernon Stevens, Wichita.

135-pound class—Don Smith, Wichita, decisioned Red Anderson, Oklahoma City.

126-pound class—Wee Wilson Walton, Oklahoma City, decisioned Harvey Kelley, Wichita.

About 3,000 fans were in the Forum to see an outstanding ring show in Wichita when John Huntsman, Kansas City star, was defeated in a first round knockout by Wichita's Al Velez, in an inter-city team match in which Wichita boxers won seven out of nine bouts.

Results: 118-pounds—Archie Sullard, Wichita, decisioned Dick Darnell, Wichita.

105-pounds—Jimmy Autry, Wichita, decisioned Carl Breckenridge, Kansas City.

112-pounds—Wayne McFarland, Wichita, kayoed Bob Brannum, Kansas City, 1:25.

126-pounds—Harvey Kelley, Wichita, decisioned Al Turner, Kansas City.

126-pounds—Fernando Rivera, Kansas City, decisioned Bud Love, Wichita.

135-pounds—Leonard Neal, Wichita, T.K.O.'ed Howard Stephens, Hutchinson, 1:40.

135-pounds—Ernie De France, Wichita, decisioned Russ Moore, Kansas City.

135-pounds—Dick Weinholt, Kansas City, decisioned Harold Craig, Wichita.

160-pounds—Jimmy Beardon, Wichita, decisioned Bert Ellis, Kansas City.

Heavyweight—Jack Cassidy, Wichita, decisioned Lincoln Edgar, Kansas City.

Heavyweight—Al Velez, Wichita, kayoed John Huntsman, Kansas City, 1:35.

Knockouts by Al Velez and Matt Baranski featured the boxing card at Memorial Hall in Salina on January 18. Both boys stopped their opponents in the second heat.

In a Chilocco-Haskell team match at Haskell Institute, Lawrence, January 10, Haskell took seven of the twelve bouts from the highly touted Chilocco, Oklahoma, Indian school, which holds wins over Wichita and Tulsa. The results:

105-pound—Sammy Keener, Chilocco, defeated Earl Sanders, Haskell.

147-pound class—Jerry Underhill, Chilocco, defeated Archie Peters, Haskell.

118-pound class—Roy Waldon, Chilocco, defeated Joe Bear, Haskell.

126-pounds—James Porter, Chilocco, defeated Charles Harrison, Haskell.

112-pounds—Earl Matthews, Haskell, defeated Edward Le Clair, Chilocco.

147-pounds—Archie Littlewalker was kayoed in 1:15 of the second round by Steve Jacobs, Haskell.

136-pounds—Eli Wilson, Haskell, defeated John Shawnego, Chilocco.

107-pounds—Lloyd Harrison, Haskell, defeated Albert Moses, Chilocco.

147-pounds—Buster Jefferson, Chilocco, defeated Ed Benn, Haskell.

135-pounds—Mickey McClure, Haskell, defeated Jimmy Keel, Chilocco.

126-pounds—Pat Sands, Haskell, defeated Tom Shukahoosee, Chilocco.

135-pounds—Ben Carnes, Haskell, won over Jack Belcher, Chilocco.

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WEST VIRGINIA NOTES
By MICKEY DAVIES

THE regional Huntington *Advertiser* Golden Gloves Tournament will get under way soon.

Radio Center, renamed Arena Gardens, again has opened its doors to the sports loving people of Huntington. This palatial auditorium has been in use as an induction station for service selectees during the past four years. Boxing, wrestling, rollerskating, and dancing, are to be staged there by genial Dick Deutsch, skipper of the arena.

An unjust verdict was meted out in the Billy Jackson-Gib Jones fracas in Cincinnati recently. Jackson, in your reporter's opinion, was ahead by a wide margin at the completion of eight stanzas, although the Queen City officials thought differently, as they awarded the tilt to the home town boy, Jones. On the same bill, Bobby Kinder, 126, gamecock, was in the lead on points over Johnny Cooke, when he was butted coming out of a clinch, and suffered a very bad laceration over his left optic. The referee decided the cut too serious, and halted the scrap, giving Cooke the decision on a TKO.

Globe trotting Dick Deutsch invaded the coal mining metropolis of Logan, W. Va., the first week of February. Alternate grappling and boxing shows will be the policy. . . . Mike Raffa, Newell, West Virginia's fistic pride, is out of the Para-troops, and heading the Ray Foutts stable. . . . "Tarzan" Roy, Charleston 200 pounder, will don the uniform of the U.S. Army again soon. "Tarzan", recently discharged, has decided to try another three year term. . . . The most active fighters in the state are: Mose Brown, Jack Rowsey, Charlie Moore, Jim Howard, Billy Jackson, Ez Gooderham, Joey Haywood, Tiz Jones, Dick Carter, Ralph Rogers, Charlie Beery, Tarzan Roy, Bucky Collins, Georgie Hairston, Boy Blue, Howard Faulkiner. . . . Jack Kearns, Capitol City heavyweight, an invalid for the past several years, is now able to move about with the aid of crutches. . . . Tuffy Griffiths, Paintsville, Ky., welterweight, is now operating a general store in his home town. . . . Mountain State's prospect of the month—Jimmy Howard, 190 pounder. . . . Harry DeVore has purchased a farm in nearby Barbourville, and is quietly living the life of a "country gentleman". . . . Charlie Beery, USMC, has returned to the states, after a sojourn through the Pacific. The Marine Corps evidently serve the best in "chow," as Charlie is now a full fledged light-heavy.

Charlie Banks, Chicago lightheavy, provided one of the biggest upsets in local boxing by trouncing Mose Brown, in the ten round feature at Huntington City Auditorium. Banks outboxed and outpunched Brown in virtually every round, with the exception of the second, which the local scrapper copped by a slight margin. Judges Bob Wright, Jack Smith, and Cal Murton, gave seven rounds to Banks, two to Brown, and one even.

Charlie Moore, 152, suffered his first defeat in a local ring, at the hands of Bobby Nichols, 150, Cincinnati. A stiff right cross pitched by Nichols early in the second heat dropped Moore for the full count. This was the slated 8 round semi-windup.

Dick Carter, colorful feather, stowed away Bob Kinder, in the fourth round. Kinder had Carter on the deck three times and was way in the lead when he was tagged by a ripping overhand right. George Hairston decisioned Joey Haywood in the six round opener.

Roger Hager, good little lightweight, is out of the service. . . . Ray Blake, Huntington detective, may branch out with a stable of pugs. . . . Nick Popcig, of Wheeling, who fought under the name of Frankie Ryan, is now employed by a beverage dispenser in Huntington. Jimmy Motley lost a tough one in St. Louis to Art Cooper. Hank Armstrong refereed the scrap.

Your reporter will accompany Mose Brown to Cuba to appear on a Louis Godoy show. Mose has been booked for two fights in Havana. His first appearance will be with Raul O'Tura, and a little later, Mose will oppose Kid Tunero, in a ten rounder. Brown fought Tunero in Baltimore a few months back, losing a hairline decision in ten beats.

Velmond White, Titonsville, Ohio, lightweight, is now being handled by Dr. R. M. Hamlin, Wheeling, W. Va., dentist. Vel, a great little amateur, should go places in the pro game. . . . Rocky Protone, Huntington lightweight, was decisioned by Jimmy Howard.

In Cincinnati—George Rhein, Cincinnati sportsman, is now piloting Charlie Banks, very promising light-heavy.

Dick Pogue and Dick Deutsch are running bi-monthly pro shows, at Huntington's Radio Center Arena. Your writer is making the matches for this club. Managers wanting work here, should contact Mickey Davies, 7th Avenue Gym, 830 7th Ave., Huntington, West Va. Please enclose pictures, data, with first letter.

Jimmy Stewart was stopped by Lou Flyer on a Lou Wallach St. Louis show.

The initial fight bill held at Huntington's Radio Center Arena on February 1, found Charlie Banks, Chicago's "rubber man," scoring an eight-round K.O. over Larry Cartwright, Dayton, Ohio, middleweight. This was the slated 10-round main attraction, produced by Dick Deutsch and Dick Pogue. Cartwright, a portsider, was outclassed throughout. He was on the floor nine times. The end came after one minute and 55 seconds of milling in the eighth frame.

Jimmy Howard, Logan, W. Va., heavyweight, used his heavy guns to stow away Bob Begley, Dayton, in the first heat of the scheduled six-round semi-windup. Howard is a promising boy, and should go far in the game.

Dick Carter, 128, repeated his K.O. win over Bobby Kinder, the finish coming in the second chukker. This was the second meeting of the pair, with Carter emerging the victor via the K.O. route in both contests.

Jimmy Motley, 137, displayed punching power in stopping George Hairston, 140, in the six-round opener.

Ezra Gooderham, heavyweight, who came out of the Navy recently, is in training, and will be ready for action soon. Ez is a great looking pro prospect.

IN BRITISH GUIANA
By COMPTON SANTOS

IT was a gruelling ten-round return mill, with Trinidad's bantam champ, Don Gibbons, trying everything and every trick he knew, to outwit the Guianese Tornado, Young Montana—but Montana repeated his victory of three weeks ago. The winner was dusted for counts of nine and eight, in the seventh and eighth rounds respectively, but came back to cop the last two rounds and the decision. The Trinidadian, at 121½, had a four and a half pound pull in the weights.

In the four-round opener Hurricane Kid, 119½, stopped Young Jenson, 120½, in the second frame.

Kid Simmons, 135, and Duncan Blair, 138, traded punches for four rounds to a draw.

Harry Payne and Young Joe Louis tangled in the six-round semi-final draw. Both contestants tipped the beam at 145.

George "Stinging Ant" Fraser regained a considerable amount of his lost prestige, when he decisively defeated Young Montana over ten rounds at Georgetown. The Ant scaled 122 to Montana's 116.

Young Zivic, 146, stopped Young Joe Louis, 147, in the fourth session.

Jonathan Kenedy continued his winning streak by taking the measure of Black Dynamite over six rounds. At 146, the Dynamite conceded one and a half pounds to Kenedy.

Opening the card was a give-and-take three-rounder between Frank Saul and Duncan Blair. The former, with a six-pound pull at 149½, received the duke.

On New Year's Day at Georgetown, Black Dynamite exploded his salvo of rights to the face and body, while Dynamite Kid absorbed them without shock and countered in his own breezy style in this see-saw contest, until the ninth stanza, when the former was forced to hold for dear life, causing the third man to disqualify him and call the Kid winner by a T.K.O. Black at 146, had a two-pound weight advantage.

Al Davis, 157½, beat Alvin Joe, 147, in six heats.

Young Johnson rushed out of his corner in the very first round and sent Kid Singh to the canvas three times in quick succession, before the referee intervened to save the Kid from the slaughter, in their featherweight scrap.

Joe Miggins, 152, after receiving a terrific shellacking in the second frame, came back to earn the vote over Al McLean, 156½, in a strenuous three-round tilt.

Hurricane Kid scored his second straight T.K.O. win, when the took the measure of Jos. Blackett, in the third and final frame by pounding him helpless on the ropes, causing the referee to halt the fray.

"Stinging Ant" George Fraser came through with another victory when he K.O.'ed Anoop Singh in the seventh of a ten-rounder at Skeldon, Berbice. At 120, the Ant gave away fifteen and a half pounds.

Flashes from Trinidad — Venezuela's flashy, hard-punching middleweight idol, Jota Jota Fernandez, treated the large gathering at the Mucurapo Stadium, Trinidad, to a fine display of boxing when he battered the undefeated and uncrowned home-town middleweight king, Bull Gilkes, winning by a T.K.O. in the eighth round. Gilkes suffered four knockdowns. Both boys came in at 154.

Cecil Samm won on a foul from Ben Eastman in the sixth stanza. This was a featherweight bout. . . . Lawrence Assam, making his professional debut, won easily from Al Brittin in a six-round lightweight tussle. . . . Clyde "Baby Face" Daniel won impressively in four rounds from Kid Blyce. Kid Geronimo romped off with a four-round decision over Max Wade in another featherweight contest.

Billed as the biggest light-heavyweight attraction Trinidad has ever seen, the Don Burton-Baba Adams scrap turned out to be the worst ever in the island. Burton, an English scrapper who claims he went the limit with Bruce Woodcock, was no opposition for the young Trinidadian, and was easily disposed of inside of two rounds. Adams at 179, outweighed the Englishman by seven pounds. . . . The semi-final affair between Fearless Leroy, 141½, and Coco Kid Gilkes, 136½, saw the former disqualified in the fourth round. . . . "Brown Bomber" Sonny Greenidge, was bombed out in the seventh of an eight-rounder with "One Punch" Holder, who scored more knockdowns in this fight than could be counted.

Fighting Bailey, 138, earned the right to meet Kid German by successfully taking into camp Al Browne, 137, of Barbados, over ten rounds at the Mucurapo Stadium. . . . In the other ten-round fray, Guadeloupe's middleweight champion, Bethelmy Serge, 156, mastered the situation throughout against Trinidad's undefeated middleweight kingpin, Dynamite Jim, 157, and romped off with the decision, causing Jim's first professional setback. . . . Fearless Freddie, 126½, whipped Len Serrette, also 126½, in the latter's initial professional scrap, in six rounds of pretty boxing. . . . Tiny Jules, 116, and Al Simms, 119½, also tangled in a six-round encounter, with Jules gaining the nod.

From Barbados comes word that Joe Ralph of British Guiana held the island's lightweight contender, Young Baby Smiles, to a ten-round draw at the Yankee Stadium, Bridgetown, before a packed house. At 135, the hometowner had a four-pound pull in the weights. . . . On the same card, Jack Dick, 120, suffered a three-round K.O. at the hands of Fighting Tunney . . . . In the semi-final affair, another K.O. was seen, which was administered by Kid Harry over King Kong in the fourth of a scheduled six-round lightweight scrap.

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ARKANSAS AND OKLAHOMA FLASHES
By CLYDE SMITH

ON account of space, sorry, boys, I had to omit some of your bouts, I just picked some out, no favor to these boys, no doubt you are just as good. Will try to do better next time.

Oklahoma City—Victor Gomez, Kansas City, flyweight, won a decision over Robert Nunn, Oklahoma City (3). Rudy Payasappe, welter, of Olathe, Kan., decisioned Warren Gose of Oklahoma City (3). Leo Bagby, heavy, of Oklahoma City, decisioned John Huntsman of Kansas City (3). Tony Calvi, light-heavy, of Oklahoma City, knocked out Alton Bird of Kansas City, second round.

Little Rock, Ark.—George Mincey, 148, decisioned Luvan Hoffman, 145 (3). Troy Gray, Scott, Ark., decisioned Pvt. Pete Amorosi, Camp Robinson (3). Luther Clements, 136, T.K.O.'ed Benny Smith, Memphis, Tenn. (1). Cpl. Anthony Ussery, 118, Camp Robinson, decisioned Paul Burlison, Memphis (3). Jack Richards, 185, Benton, Ark., K.O.'ed Pvt. Edward Pulver, 190, Camp Robinson (2).

Sapulpa, Okla.—118 pounds—Curtis Lunford K.O.'ed Jimmy Abbott (2). 126 pounds—James Hensley K.O.'ed Clifton Hill (1). 147 pounds—Douglas Little decisioned Arthur Pool (3). 160 pounds—John Alexander K.O.'ed Bobby Horn (3).

Little Rock—130 pounds—Charles Butler decisioned George Crauley (3). 150 pounds—Robert Morris decisioned Jimmy Hudgens (3). 124 pounds—Jimmy Scroggin decisioned Billy Willis (3). 118 pounds—Bobby Smith decisioned Bobby Fowler (3).

Concho, Okla.—118 pounds—Charles Pebeahsy T.K.O.'ed Junior Valderas (2). 126 pounds—Carl Sands T.K.O.'ed Mike McDaniels (2). 135 pounds—Gilmore Tasso decisioned Tyler Wahnee (3). 147 pounds—John Pratt K.O.'ed Wayne Bighorse (1); Orville Cable K.O.'ed John Levi (1).

Little Rock, Ark.—147 pounds—Billy Seabolt K.O.'ed David Stinnett (3). 175 pounds—J. L. Myers decisioned Pete Amoresi (3). 140 pounds—Jack Whitfield decisioned Henry Tarao (3). 118 pounds—Ray Blevins decisioned Bob Smith (3). 118 pounds—Frank Thompson decisioned David Crawford (3).

Haileyville, Okla.—121 pounds—Jack Mackey decisioned David Drew (3). 125 pounds—Edward Sartin K.O.'ed Phillip Lewis (2). 127 pounds—Wayne Jaggers decisioned J. M. Bailey (3). 113 pounds—J. W. Maytoy decisioned Dean Tinker (3).

Miami, Okla.—126 pounds—Jerry Ketcher decisioned Daniel Squirrel (3). 135 pounds—Boodknot Sloan decisioned Dickie Butler (3). 147 pounds—Gene Goodin decisioned Homer Byrd (3). 160 pounds—Virgil Goodin K.O.'ed Ronald Dowty (3). 175 pounds—Denny McFerron decisioned Tommy Taylor (3).

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SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. JIMMIE AMANN

BENNY and Sammy Becker staged an Ohio natural on January 9th at the Music Hall with Sugar Ray Costner and Tip Ramsey as the contestants in the feature bout which Costner won by a knockout in the tenth and final round. The affair grossed $6500.

The prelims were all good ones too. Pat Iacobucci, Roger Bacon high school feather, blasted out a three-round kayo over Larry Tatum. Gib Jones, Cincinnati, and Bill Jackson, Huntington, W. Va., light-heavyweights, bowled each other around for eight rounds, with Jones taking the nod by a needle point. Johnny Cook kayoed Bob Kinder in one session and Jack O'Cohan stopped Duke Windsor in the same distance. Mayor James Stewart took a bow at the ringside.

On January 16, 1946, at Music Hall, Gene Burton, classy New York lightweight, stepped right into the deadly smacks of Willie Russell, Columbus, Ohio, southpaw, and at the conclusion of ten rounds the decision went to Burton. Gross gate was $3865, net $2942 and 1976 paid admissions. Pat Daley worked as referee in his usual fine fashion.

Preliminary results were: Buddy Kelly, decision in six rounds over Bobby Vernon, welters; Jackie O'Cohen, decision in four rounds over Freddy Tibbs, lightweights; Bob Shoemaker won from Charley Morris in four; and Phil Smith did likewise to Fred Parks in four heats.

Lloyd Gibson, Cincinnati's young Negro light-heavyweight, making his first home town start since he left the armed forces on January 23 at the Music Hall, won an eight-round decision over Tommy Charles of Indianapolis, Ind.

Ted Nichols, Cincinnati heavyweight, won the decision in eight rounds over Ted Woodward of Columbus, Ohio. Gene Simmons, Indianapolis veteran middleweight, stopped the winning streak of Chicken Gaines, Cincinnati, scoring a decision in eight rounds. In the supporting bouts Jimmy Howard stopped Rocky Protane in four; Carl Simmons won from Dick Lewis in four; Oliver Cobbins won from George Weaver in four rounds. This program was promoted by the Billy Poole, Jack Brown and George Nichols promoters.

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PITTSBURGH FISTIC NEWS
By FRANK T. McQUAIDE, JR.

BOXING fans from western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio, and northern West Virginia, packed The Gardens to capacity on January 14, to witness the fistic prowess of one of the greatest fighters in the history of boxing, Ray (Sugar) Robinson.

The sensational uncrowned king of the welterweights made his appearance a very brief one, but brief as it was it gave the fans an inkling as to what a fighter must possess to achieve world prominence.

Robinson had as his opponent Dave Clark of Cincinnati, a fighter who attracted the attention of Pittsburgh district fans by winning a split decision over the local Ossie (Bulldog) Harris in Detroit last month.

Robinson was the winner by a knockout in two minutes and 22 seconds of the second round. Referee Ernie Sesto stopped the bout and declared Robinson the winner by a technical knockout.

When the second round opened, Robinson settled down to the business at hand and before many seconds, Clark was floored with a left hook that sent him sprawling face downward in a neutral corner. At the nine count Clark was on his feet and charged into Robinson with a flurry of lefts and rights which Sugar blocked. Another left hook found Clark's jaw and down he went, clutching frantically for the ropes. Groggy but game, Clark was up when the count reached nine but he was thoroughly beaten. It was at this point that the referee stopped the bout and wisely so. Clark was down for nine in the first round, also. Robinson weighed 148, Clark 152.

In the six round semi-final Tut Tabor, 161, Pittsburgh, lost a split decision to Art (Honey) Robinson, 155, Pittsburgh. Tabor, who was brought to Pittsburgh by his pal, Billy Conn, and who is now being trained by Conn's manager, Johnny Ray, looked impressive in the early part of the bout when he floored Robinson twice for nine counts in the second round. However, he seemed to lose his zip as the rounds rolled by and was fortunate in gaining the vote of Referee Freddie Mastrean. The two judges, however, favored Honey Robinson who displayed great stamina, aggressiveness and boxing ability.

The most sensational bout on the card, found Carman De John, 165, Syracuse, N. Y., winning the decision over Henry Jackson, 172, Steubenville, Ohio, in a thrill packed six rounder. De John who stole the show in his last appearance here on the Angott-Kapilow card, repeated his performance tonight. Floored for a nine count in the fourth round Carman came out in the fifth and dropped Jackson three times with terrific rights to the face.

The remainder of this card saw Dick Cook, 129, Cincinnati, taking the decision over Velmond White, 128, Tiltonville, Ohio, in six rounds.

Jackie Armitage, 148, New Kensington, Pa., decisioned Johnny Worthey, 143, Harmerville, Pa., a four rounder.

Regis O'Brien, 180, Pittsburgh, decisioned Bruce Allen 178, Pittsburgh, four rounds.

An all star boxing show consisting of three ten rounders and two fours, filled the "Gardens" to near capacity on January 28. For the fourth time in the last two months, Matchmaker Jake Mintz of the Rooney-McGinley Club, provided the fans with the kind of action they like to see, thrill-packed preliminaries and name fighters featured in the main bouts and the result was a sell-out.

Juste Fontaine, local lightweight sensation, lost the unanimous decision to the wily, hard-hitting Dorsey Lay of Philadelphia in the feature 10-rounder. Seldom have we witnessed such furious action in the first rounds of a ten-round bout as in this mill. Lay took the first five rounds by a wide margin. He hurt Fontaine in the second and floored him for a nine count in the third. Fontaine began pouring it on about the sixth round, but Lay's well-timed blows in the earlier rounds seemed to have robbed Juste of the stamina he needed to land his blows effectively.

Dorsey Lay weighed 137½, Fontaine, 136.

In a second ten-rounder Mickey Quack, popular local featherweight, lost the unanimous decision to Harry Jeffra of Baltimore. In the late rounds, Jeffra opened up his bag of tricks and Mickey was befuddled.

These two fought to a draw at the local Hickey Park last summer but in the return bout, Jeffra kept Mickey puzzled in handing him his first defeat in seventeen contests.

Jeffra weighed 128; Quack, 123.

The third ten-round bout, between Carman De John of Syracuse and Henry Jackson of Steubenville, Ohio, ended in less than two minutes of the first round when De John floored Jackson with a hard right to the head and in falling Jackson sprained his right ankle so badly that Referee Buck McTeirman stopped the contest. The time was one minute 53 seconds of the first round.

De John weighed 165; Jackson, 173.

The opening bout found Regis O'Brien, 177, McKees Rocks, Pa., knocked out in one minute, 32 seconds of round two by the underdog, Ben Bartle, 180, of Ellwood City, Pa. O'Brien, ex-marine, suffered a broken jaw in this contest.

In the second four-round bout, Charley (Young) Zivic, 153, Pittsburgh, won a split decision over Jackie Armitage, 148, New Kensington, Pa.

January 17 saw Mickey Quack, popular local boy, accomplish what he has been trying to do since early last summer and that was to win by a knockout over Ossie Peguese of Youngstown, Ohio.

Meeting for the fourth time in less than a year, Mickey, the fan-pleasing bantamweight protege of Fritzie Zivic, belted Peguese so unmercifully for four hectic rounds that Ossie's manager refused to let him come out of his corner for round five. Quack had won the three previous bouts by way of decisions.

Quack weighed 120; Peguese, 123.

Billy Gillian, 130, Homestead, Pa., kayoed Chuck Jackson, 128, Youngstown, Ohio, in two minutes, 38 seconds of the first round of a scheduled four. Willie Jenkins, 153, Homestead, Pa., knocked out Charley Young Zivic, 152, Pittsburgh, in 49 seconds of round one of a scheduled four-rounder.

Cab Calloway, 147, Pittsburgh, scored a T.K.O. over Irish Chuck McLaughlin, 146, McKeesport, Pa., in one minute, 43 seconds of the second round of an intended four-round bout and John Turner, 174, Clairton, Pa., decisioned Benny Bartle, 179, Ellwood City, Pa., four rounds.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS
By BILLY SHAW

THE unpredictable Joey Kushner, central New York featherweight, turned in a sparkling win at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Kushner stopped Eddie O'Leary, Pringle Hill boxing star, in the seventh round of a scheduled eight-round windup before a crowd of 2,482 fans who paid $3,777.71 to see Kushner turn the trick. A heavy favorite before ringtime, the Quaker Stater was down in the second for a six-count, and counts of nine in the fourth and sixth. A cut over O'Leary's eye in the seventh, that bled profusely, caused Referee Johnny Kelly to halt the uneven mill.

Kushner hopped over to Buffalo five days later and scored another kayo. Jolting Joey belted out Jim McClelland, Toledo feather, in one minute of the first round. The bout was a prelim to the Willie Pep-Johnny Virgo feature. Pep halted Virgo, a Rochester lad, in the second of a go slated for ten heats.

Kushner's good fortune came to an abrupt end. Matched to fight Pete Bolos of Detroit on the Lee Oma-Phil Muscato card at Buffalo, Kushner went to the Bison City to complete his training. While doing roadwork Joey slipped and fell on the ice. Result—two fractured ribs!

Stan Edwards, Syracuse Negro light-heavyweight, chalked up a neat win at Binghamton when he flattened Armand Olevano, Endicott, in the third round of a scheduled eight-round headliner at Kalurah Temple. Prior to meeting Edwards, Olevano, ace box office draw at Bingo, had shown great promise. Edwards floored Armand in the second for a long count.

Other Bingo results: Sam Shumway, 190, outpointed Bud Gregory, 189, Port Dickinson, in the six-round semi-final. Frankie Best, Buffalo, 170, knocked out Nelson Hawkins, 165, Cleveland, in the first round. Aster Rice, 148½, Binghamton, defeated Al Harrig, 143, Sherrill, in six. Buddy Van Slyke, 164, Syracuse, knocked out Joe McMullen, 172, Endicott, in 2:20 of the fourth. Vic Belanger, 156, Utica, decisioned Chuck Kinney, 162, Binghamton, in the opening four.

Another Binghamton card resulted in some torrid action. Tommy Mills, 140, Valley Stream, L. I., decisioned hard-punching, aggressive Eddie Smith, 141½, Rochester, in eight blistering rounds. It was Mills' second triumph over the Flower City Negro sharpshooter, who never stopped trying.

Other results: Vic Belanger, 152½, Utica, decisioned Aster Rice, 152½, Binghamton, in the eight-round semi. Nello Nucelli, slick Rochester 143-pounder, gave Manuel Arroyo, 146, Mexico City, a boxing lesson in a rough six. Johnny Long, 157, Rochester, won all the way from Chuck Kinney, 161, Binghamton, while Hal Arrington, busy Binghamton lightweight, kayoed Mickey Di Serio, Endicott, in the third round of a bout scheduled for four stanzas.

Over at Troy, Ham Wiloby, New England feather, knocked out Joe Tambe, 125, Buffalo, in the third round of a scheduled ten round feature. Luce Lima, 141, Fall River, beat Tommy Daniels, 138, Garfield, N. J., in a six. Luther McMillan, 170, Brooklyn, knocked out Steve Kish, 175, Garfield, N. J., in four; Ruby Roberts, 160, Garfield, knocked out George Parsons, 155, Albany, in three, while Tony De Micco, 184, Troy, decisioned Jimmy Crawford, 184, Cliffside, N. J., in the four-round opener.

Death of General John J. Phelan, former chairman of the State Athletic Commission, revived many stories about the colorful ring official. Well liked upstate, the late General could always be expected to do the unexpected. One night at a wrestling show here, Phelan slipped into a ringside seat unnoticed. Two of the pachyderms were pulling some unusually rough tactics. Finally, the General could stand their cuffing and swinging no longer. He leaped to his feet, ran to the ring and demanded the two wrestlers halt their bout.

Unknown to the grapplers, who had never seen him before, Phelan was ignored. At the chairman's demand, officials halted the match and he called both men to the edge of the ring. Sputtering in his excitement, and waving his arms, Phelan read the riot act to them. In answer, one of the bone-twisters kicked Phelan in the face! Police entered the ring and the wrestlers were removed. Needless to say both drew long suspensions.

Left-Hooks: Carman De John added another win to his fast growing list at Buffalo last month when he kayoed Billy Bueford of Jersey City in two rounds. . . . With Joey De John soon due to get out of the Navy, and Ralph fighting in good form, Manager Joe Netro will have a busy winter with the brothers. . . . Danny Amos, back from the war, looks like a million. . . . Danny saw plenty of action and has two good ring prospects he unearthed overseas whom he plans to start in this section soon. . . . Babe Amos is training again. . . . The late General Phelan went out of his way to give the smaller upstate clubs a break when he was in office. . . . Many regulations were stretched when necessary and General John used to come here often to supervise the bigger local ring shows. . . . Henny Andrews has a new monicker. . . . They called him the "Laugh Creator" now. . . . Andrews, widely known as a fight manager, runs the most unusual and eye catching ad in the local dailies any pub ever used. . . . Henny's Sports Room cafe is a gold mine. . . . Gabe Genovese is reported to have sold the Casablanca.

Joe Gardner, one-time crack lightweight, dispenses THE RING at his Jefferson-Clinton cigar store, but he moans the fact that the news dealers don't give him enough copies. . . . Billy Browne, ace referee, has been mustered out of the service and is back in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

SPOKANE NEWS
By JIMMY TANSY

GONZAGA GYMNASIUM was packed to overflowing again and those who remained away or could not make it, missed one of the best cards seen here in a long, long time. In the main go of ten rounds, Spokane's socking sailor won the judges' decision from Jimmy Hayden of San Francisco, Cal. The sailor, in case you didn't know, was Frankie Gimbel of Pasco Naval Base. Frankie had a little the better of it for the first six rounds and in this frame he scored a nine count knockdown which put him a little further ahead but instead of coming on he faded and it was Hayden who was the pacemaker.

In the six-round semi-final, featherweights Max Shinder and Benny Jerome put on the best scrap of the night. Shinder won. Freddie Steele, Jr., scored a convincing triumph over Johnny Archelleta of Portland, by stopping the Mexican featherweight in 2:24 of the second round. In the four-round preliminaries, Frank Porter, 156, decisioned Jack Chapman, 162. Both are from Spokane. Stacky Rowe lost to Johnny Raven in the curtain raiser of four rounds.

What do you think? Frankie Gimbel's lay-off plus inferior opponents showed up on him Friday night. If he was "right" the fight would have ended in the sixth round without a doubt. Gross is thinking of grooming Max Shinder for a Lindsay bout. This would be swell if the winner were to meet Joe Dolan who is doing better than all right in New York at this time.

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CHATTER FROM MAINE
By LINDSEY L. MEADER

THE Maine Boxing Commission has named four state champions. They are Coley Welch, middleweight; Armand Michaud, welterweight; Maurice Lachone, lightweight; and Lloyd Hudson, featherweight. Michaud has since defended his crown by disposing of Al Wooster in three rounds at Lewiston. In other matches on the same card Willie Leo, 130, Portland, decisioned Eddie Berry, 128, Portland, 6; Charley Wooster, 134½, Frankfort, won from Everett Hodgkins, 131, South Windham, 6; George McCarthy, 142, Lewiston, T.K.O.'ed Ducky Dean, 142½, Bangor, 2; Eddie Comiskey, 125, Lisbon, decisioned Young Cloutier, 126, Bath, 4.

Other results—At Brunswick: Al Michaud, 142, Lewiston, kayoed Mickey O'Brien, 145, Bangor, 1; Bob Pooler, 144, Portland, kayoed Eddie Hudson, 143, Bath, 5; Leo Petreault, 130, Brunswick, won from Dick Eagan, 129, Bangor, 4; Ed Comiskey, 121, Lisbon, decisioned Kid Cloutier, 125, Brunswick, 4; Joe Tanguay, 158, Lewiston, knocked out Jackie Edwards, 159½, Brunswick, 1.

At Portland: Bobby English, 128, Fall River, Mass., won over Leo Mucucci, 129½, Portland, 10; Eddie Letourneau, 148, Sanford, decisioned Johnny Marra, 153, Boston, 8; Leonard Bickford, 145, Portland, won from Babe Quirrion, 141, Waterville, 4; Everett Hodgkins, 135½, South Windham, kayoed Buddy O'Neil, 134, Waterville, 1; Young Vachon, 137, Waterville, decisioned Dan Gilpatrick, 138, Portland, 4.

At Bangor: Johnny Campbell, 138, Brewer, decisioned Leo Methot, 138, Montreal, 8; Eddie Turner, 174, Bangor, kayoed Tommy Burns, 172, Hampden, 2; Dick Villeneauve, 144, Berlin, N. H., won from Blaine Macomber, 144, Guilford, 4; George McCarthy, 144, Lewiston, knocked out Ducky Dean, 142, Bangor, 4; Joe Perriault, 132, Berlin, N. H., stopped Dick Eagan, 130, Bangor, one.

At Lewiston: Ed Letourneau, 149, Sanford, kayoed Al Michaud, 144½, Lisbon, 5; Willie Leo, 132, Portland, T.K.O.'ed Leo Prince, 136½, Montreal, 1; Jimmy Gagnon, 145½, Lewiston, knocked out Eddie Hudson, 139, Bath, 3; Ed Comiskey, 134½, Lisbon, decisioned Young Gallant, 139, Rumford, 4; George McCarthy, 149, Lewiston, won from Norman Bennett, 147½, Auburn, 4.

At Portland: Steve Bellus, 138, Toronto, T.K.O.'ed Eden Germane, 133, Portland, 6; Ed Letourneau, 150½, Sanford, T.K.O.'ed Johnny Marra, 154, Boston, 5; Willie Leo, 130½, Portland, won from Eddie Berry, 129½, Portland, 4; Al Burley, 134, Berlin, N. H., kayoed Al Perriault, Berlin, N. H., 2.

At Bangor: Al Michaud, 142, Lisbon, defeated Billy Napper, 147, Boston, 8; Willie Leo, 130, Portland, kayoed Bobby Fuller, 131, Boston, 2; Ancil Green, 164, Bangor, stopped Joe Beaulieu, 168, Waterville, 1; Young Green, 144, Bangor, knocked out Glen Dean, 148, Bangor, 3; Babe Quirrion, 142, Waterville, stopped Ducky Dean, 141, Bangor, 2.

At Portland: Johnny Marra, 152½, Boston, and Eddie Letourneau, 146½, Sanford, drew, 10; Willie Leo, 130, Portland, decisioned Eddie Berry, 130½, Portland, 6; Gene Boyd, 143, Portland, won over Len Bickford, 145½, Portland, 4; Ed Comiskey, 126, Lisbon, decisioned Ivan Jones, 126, Portland, 4; Everett Hodgkins, 138, South Windham, won over Norman Bennett, Lewiston, 4.

At Lewiston: Blond Tiger, 129, Lowell, Mass., drew with Leo Methot, 131, Montreal, 8; Bob Pooler, 141, Portland, decisioned Babe Quirrion, 141, Waterville, 6; Johnny Welch, 144½, Lowell, Mass., kayoed George McCarthy, 144, Lewiston, 4; Flash Boucher, 134½, Waterville, kayoed Roland Frechette, 137½, Lowell, Mass., 2; Ted Ryan, 141, Lewiston, T.K.O.'ed Jerry Vachon, 140½, Waterville, 2; Al Tanguay, 153½, Lewiston, kayoed Ed Gagnon, 149½, Lewiston, 1.

At Bangor: Leo Methot, 137, Montreal, decisioned Johnny Campbell, 138, Brewer, 8; Tommy Burns, 172, Hampden, won over Eddie Turner, 172, Bangor, 6; Babe Quirrion, 145, Waterville, drew with George McCarthy, 146, Lewiston, 4; Joe Petrin, 170, Auburn, stopped Ancil Green, 164, Bangor, 4; Blaine Macomber, 142, Guilford, drew with Norman Bennett, 147, Auburn, 4.

At Lewiston: Young Ted Drew, 156, Lewiston, T.K.O.'ed Ray Letourneau, 160, Coaticook, Que., 2; Dick Villeneuve, 145, Berlin, N. H., kayoed Cleo Cloutier, 139, Coaticook, Que., 1; George McCarthy, 145, Lewiston, knocked out Al Letourneau, 143¾, Coaticook, Que., 1; Ed Perriault, 125, Berlin, N. H., kayoed Al Sirois, 126½, Coaticook, Que., 1; Young Cloutier, 118, Brunswick, won over Young Goupel, 115, Bath, 4.

At Brunswick: Blond Tiger, 129, Lowell, Mass., won over Lloyd Hudson, 132, Bath, 8; Norman Perigny, 169, Lowell, Mass., T.K.O.'ed Joe Tanguay, 153, Lewiston, 3; Ray Small, 135, Freeport, defeated Ted Ryan, 134, Lewiston, 4; Kid Cloutier, 128, Lewiston, won over Young Goupil, 126, Bath, 4; Babe Quirrion, 142, Waterville, won over Eddie Hudson, 134, Bath, 4; George McCarthy, 144, Lewiston, defeated Norman Bennett, 146, Auburn, 4.

At Bangor: Promoter Bob Johnston was forced to call off his January 30th show after one bout, the snowstorm making it impossible for the fighters to reach here. Leo Methot of Montreal and the Blond Tiger of Lowell, Mass., were scheduled to go eight rounds in the main event. In the only bout seen, Babe Quirrion, 142, of Waterville, decisioned Blaine Macomber, 140, of Guilford, in four. Johnston refunded admissions to nearly 1,000 fans.

At Portland: Eden Germane, 133, Portland, decisioned Billy Marcus, 134, Hartford, Conn., 8; Willie Leo, 131, Portland, kayoed Tony Prince, 133, Sherbrooke, P.Q. 2; Ivan Jones, 125½, Portland, knocked out Eddie Comiskey, 122, Lisbon, 2; Duke Demers, 142, Sanford, kayoed George McCarthy, 143, Lewiston, 3; Bill Kenney, 140, Rumford, flattened Gene Boyd, 141, Portland, 1.

At Bangor: Leo Methot, 136, Montreal, defeated the Blond Tiger, 132, Lowell, Mass., 8; Bob Rynne, 172, Lowell, Mass., kayoed Eddie Turner, 170, Bangor, 4; Norman Perigny, 172, Lowell, Mass., decisioned Ancil Green, 172, Bangor, 6; Young Green, 152, Bangor, knocked out Jim Marcus, 153, Pittsfield, 1; Dickie Eagan, 128, Bangor, stopped Lucky Crone, 128, Bangor, 2.

At Burlington, Vt.: Al Michaud of Lewiston, Maine Welter Champ, kayoed Johnny Gordon of Burlington in 2; George McCarthy of Lewiston decisioned Mickey Connolly of Burlington in 4.

BOXING IN CUBA
By MILT BARON

HAVANA'S Fight Followers witnessed few but mighty good scraps during the past month, and Promoter Luis Godoy deserves full credit for his work in bringing good bouts to Cuba.

Mario Ochoa, Cuba's young light-heavyweight, who packs a mean wallop, drew in ten rounds with Sampson Powell.

Luis Galvani, Cuba's bantam champion, scored a two-round knockout over Pitchie Thompson of Jamaica. Rene Camacho beat Jose Sosa in six rounds, and Mario Montero scored in six over Rogelio Tajades.

Black Pico, Cuban flyweight champion, a popular kid, drew in twelve rounds with Armando Puenti Pi, in a titular contest. The decision caused a howl. Lino Garcia, popular featherweight contender, easily beat Arquimides Yirac in a hot ten-rounder.

Diego Sosa, now a lightweight, knocked out Eduardo Duany in two rounds, and Ramon Castillo scored a five-round kayo over Kid Guarina.

Santiago Sosa, former lightweight king of Cuba, won a ten-round decision over Diego Sosa (no relation at all). Diego Sosa put up a good fight and a return go would fill the house.

Mike Acevedo, Cuba's featherweight champion, is being considered as the opponent for Willie Pep to fight here in Havana. Godoy, Cuba's big promoter, is making plans for this card.

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IN CHICAGO
With GENE ENGEL

NATE BOLDEN, experienced Chicago light-heavyweight, was at his best in scoring a ten-round win over O'Dell Reilly, Detroit 183-pounder, at Promoter Ben Zenoff's North Hall Coliseum.

Approximately 3,000 fans witnessed an action-filled go with plenty of leather thrown by Reilly during the first five rounds. Commencing with the sixth canto, dapper Nate began to find the range, twisting away from the volley of blows unleashed by O'Dell, and countering beautifully with left jabs that landed with telling effect.

In the seventh, Bolden tricked his Michigan adversary by coming out in southpaw fashion, and as he met Reilly, pivoted and threw a ripping left hook to his foe's chin. Reilly staggered to the ropes but Bolden failed to take immediate advantage of his opportunity and O'Dell recovered.

Bolden copped the eighth, ninth and tenth rounds and the duke.

Tony Musto, who has just recuperated from an appendectomy, returned to the ring and punched Jack Conway of Buffalo, N. Y., into submission in 2:40 of round one. A nasty right to Conway's jaw staggered the Easterner into the ropes, and a quick barrage of blows finished him off. Musto weighed 202½, and Conway, 182¾ pounds. This was the semi-windup attraction.

In the prelims, Willie Moore had tough going at intervals with Young Johnson, Detroit, light-heavyweight, but finally managed to shellack Johnson unmercifully in round three, which prompted Referee Johnny Behr to halt proceedings. They were scheduled for six rounds.

Willard Coffey, Washington, D. C., 134½-pounder, won a clear verdict over Johnny Varcy, Detroit, 137½-pounder, at the end of six rounds. Varcy was down twice in the third heat for short counts.

Jackie Boyd and Ernie Hoffman, the latter a Milwaukee featherweight, went four rounds to a standstill. In the four-round opener, Sam Cicerella won over Phil Morris, in a lightweight mill.

The gross gate was $5,846.52.

Tony Zale, world's middleweight champion, who just recently embarked on a campaign to reach top condition for the defense of his cherished laurels after four years in Uncle Sam's Navy, has two knockouts to his credit since his return to the squared-circle. Zale kayoed Bossy Giles, Buffalo 160-pounder, in four heats at Kansas City, Mo. And in his second ring appearance, Tony trekked over to Norfolk, Va., where he stopped Tony Gillo, 165-pound New Haven, Conn., battler, in five rounds of a slated ten-rounder.

Bill Parsons, two-fisted Danville, Ill., welterweight, won a terrific encounter from Art Brown in an eight-round headliner at the Marigold Gardens Arena before a capacity house. Parsons was driven to the canvas for an eight-count in the first round, but rallied and emerged victorious.

LeRoy Scales, Chicago light-heavyweight, knocked out Luther Brent, another Windy Cityite, with a crashing right hand to the jaw in 46 seconds of the second round of a slated six. Wray Carter, classy Southside lightweight, gained a technical knockout victory over Tim Dalton, also of Chicago.

Willard Coffey and Butch Maxwell, both of Gary, Ind., went four rounds to a draw, while Jimmy Crow, Danville, Ill., won the decision over Ted Newsome, Hoosier light-heavyweight, in four rounds.

Mack Parshay, young Detroit heavyweight, is gradually making rapid strides in the heavy ranks. In his quest for recognition, Parshay delivered the *coup de grace* to John Hubbard of Milwaukee, Wis., in four rounds of their scheduled 10-round tiff at the North Hall of the Coliseum. Parshay was taking a severe beating and trailing badly until he sighted a quick opening, crossed a right to the chin that staggered Hubbard. He then went after Hubbard until he dropped him for keeps.

In the main ten-round bout, O'Dell Reilly defeated Clayton Worlds in a good bout.

Two of the three preliminary matches ended via the kayo route. Sammy Davis, Chicago welterweight, halted Sammy Williams in the fourth round. Willard Coffey, Washington, D. C., lightweight, spilled Jackie Boyd for the count in two rounds.

Holman Williams, Chicago resident, returned after a lengthy absence from this city to knock out Joe Butch Lynch in three rounds of their slated 10-round embroglio. The Plainfield, N. J., light-heavyweight veteran turned out to be no match for the highly-polished Holman.

Williams opened an old eye cut over Lynch's eye, and scored two knockdowns before he put the quietus on Butch.

In the semi-final match, Dan Robinson, Southside Negro welterweight, was awarded an unpopular eight-round decision over Alvin Jordan of Milwaukee. Each man scored a knockdown in the first round. Jordan was penalized in three of the rounds for fouls, which undoubtedly cost him the bout.

The other bouts ended in knockouts. John Varcy, Detroit lightweight, floored Bob Smith, Chicago, for the count in the third round. Willard Coffey kayoed Bobby Williams, Chicago lightweight, in the second heat and Stanley Cieslik, Detroit lightweight, flattened Al Dixon, Kansas City, Mo., in two frames.

Emil Nanny, genial, diminutive Italian, who managed Leone Efrati and Settimio Terraccino, Italian importations of a few years back, is proving very successful as matchmaker for Promoter Ben Zenoff at the Coliseum Club.

Benny McCombs, 169-pound Flint, Michigan, Negro, knocked out Collins Brown, lanky Chicagoan, in the opening session of their scheduled eight-round main event at the Marigold Gardens Arena.

In a co-feature, Gene Spencer, 134 pounds, stopped Red Grant, 130½, Denver, Colorado, in four rounds. Grant failed to answer the gong for the fourth stanza of a slated eight. Spencer did too neat a job of chopping the redhead down.

In the other bouts, Tommy James, 150, Chicago, and Jimmy Crow, 155, Danville, Ill., fought to a draw. Jack Conway, 181½, Buffalo, N. Y., stopped Johnny Brewer, 192, Denver, in one heat. Stanley Berg, 148, West Side Jewish lad, halted Johnny Ortega, 141¼, of Beloit, Wisconsin, in round three.

Hezzie Williams, a former Golden Gloves Champion in the light-heavyweight division in 1940, recently received his honorable discharge from the service and returned to the squared circle to knock out LeRoy Scales, sensational young Southside prospect, in the seventh stanza of a scheduled eight-round go.

Williams scored with his lethal wallops as early as the second canto; but Scales made a fight of it until a heavy two-fisted barrage administered by Hezzie knocked LeRoy through the ropes. Upon his return, Scales was quickly annihilated.

Gene Spencer again took the spotlight. This time his victim was Benton Cobbins, 139, Cincinnati, whom he kayoed in the opening round of their scheduled eight-rounder.

Jimmy Joyce, brother of the more famed Willie, flattened the pugnacious Jerry Martin in one heat. Al Jackson, middleweight, outpointed Bud Kelly, Cincinnati. Bob Nichols, Cincinnati, knocked out Paul Nelson, 150, Chicago, in two frames.

Bill Parsons and Frankie Abrams, a pair of up-and-coming welterweights, tangled in a rematch over the eight-round route. Parsons won the first fight, but this time at the Marigold Gardens Arena, they fought to a standstill.

In the semi-windup, Roy Lewis, Muncie, Ind., welterweight, won over lanky Al Jackson in a five-rounder. William Lockett knocked out Eddie Fehler in one round. Joey Richards, after a long absence from the fight circle, returned to engage Bud Kelly in a four-round draw, and in a special six-round affair, Johnny Roszina, Milwaukee middleweight, went six rounds to a draw with Bob Nichols of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Gene Spencer again hit the boxing headlines with a nifty and creditable victory over the ever-aggressive Alvin Gomez. However, the fans and the officials disagreed on the verdict. This was Spencer's first victory over Alvin in five vicious encounters.

In the semi-windup, Benny McCombs, Flint, Mich., put the crusher on LeRoy Scales, in the second round. A corking left-hook to the body finished Scales.

Gene Roberts, fast-rising Danville, Ill., featherweight youngster, secured another notch in his victory string, this time at the expense of Alex Jiminez of Detroit, Michigan, in a furious five-round tussle.

World's middleweight champion, Tony Zale, weighing 159 pounds, emerged with a three-round knockout over Oscar Boyd in Des Moines, Iowa. This makes it three out of three for gallant Tony via the kayo route.

Willie Barrow, Detroit, Mich., heavyweight, surprised with a stirring eight-round victory over Mack Parshay, fellow "Motor City" rival, in the star bout at Ben Zenoff's Coliseum Club.

Barrow was floored for "eight" in the second round, but came back to box superbly. In the seventh canto Barrow dealt out severe punishment to Parshay, scoring a seven-count knockdown, and finished up much the stronger of the two.

Dan Robinson, sleek Southside welterweight, shellacked the courageous Detroit veteran, Bobby McIntire. McIntire hit the deck twice for nine counts and was in distress through the battle.

Another eight-rounder saw Mickey Quack, Pittsburgh, Pa., featherweight, and Cedric Flournay, Detroit, Mich., fight eight rounds to a standstill.

Willie Moore, Chicago light-heavyweight, found Jeff Hampton easy pickings and won with plenty to spare in six heats. Johnny Roszina, Milwaukee, Wis., middleweight, won handily over Charley Zivic in six.

Jackie Boyd opened the program with a four-round victory over Ted Vernadoe in a featherweight tilt. The gross gate was $3,500.

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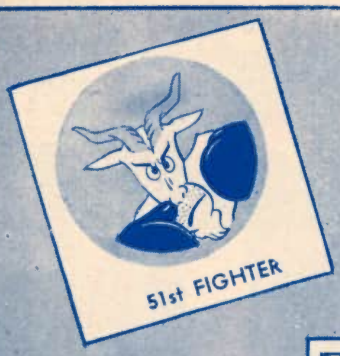

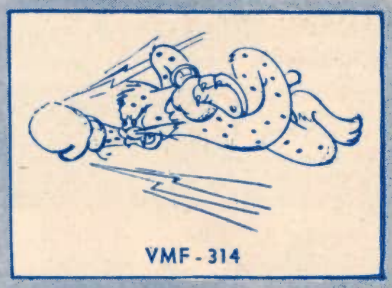

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